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CITY COUNCIL BANQUETTED

Guests Of McKinney Volunteer Fire Department Friday Night.

GIVEN AT THE WADE HOTEL

Capt. T. F. Mangum Toastmaster—List of Toasts and Toasters—Happy Event.

The Wade Hotel was the scene of a merry event Friday night the occasion being a banquet given by the McKinney Fire Department in honor of the city officials and council.

Promptly at 8 o'clock the Firemen assembled in full uniform at the city hall, from which place, accompanied by the councilmen and other city officials, they marched in a body to the popular hostlery where the banquet was spread. Hearty cheer and cordiality welcomed all. The gallant fire laddies, trim in their neatly fitting uniform attire and fully fifty strong, never appeared to better advantage.

Capt. T. F. Mangum acted as toastmaster in his accustomed apt and felicitous manner.

Before announcing the toasts, the toastmaster appointed Tom Lewis sergeant-at-arms to protect the toasters from personal violence at the hands of their hearers. Mr. Lewis' services were several times brought into requisition by the cutting sallies of wit turned loose by some of the speakers.

TOASTS.

The Fire Boys brave and true—how we love them when they dont want anything.—Hon. J. M. Pearson, mayor.

Our city council.—W. R. Abernathy.

Our Dude Fireman.—Kelly Worsham.

Keminiscences of the department in its early days.—W. B. Benge.

What the department needs and why?—Hon. W. M. Abernathy, Ex-president State Firemen's ass'n.

Why the well burned in 1895.—Arthur Anderson.

The fires of 1902 we did not put out and why?—Assistant Chief, John S. McKinney.

Our hostess and our banquet.—Jesse Shain.

The Press the friend of Volunteer Firemen—Walter B. Wilson.

The Firemen's Committee of the City Council—Alderman J. K. P. Shrader.

"Our Wives and Sweethearts at Home."—W. P. Suttle.

To the Volunteer Firemen brave and true.—W. H. Sims.

Thanks to our Entertainers—Alderman T. T. Emerson.

Explosion of a Lamp.

A lamp exploded in the home of Mate Barnett Monday night. The family retired about 11 o'clock and had fallen asleep. Mr. and Mrs. Barnett were awakened shortly afterward by the explosion which took place in the adjoining room where their son Wre was sleeping. Mr. Barnett had blown one light out on retiring. On entering the room they found the table on which the lamp was sitting and the carpet underneath to be in flames which were licking high up toward the ceiling and out in every direction, and close to the bed in which Wre was sleeping. He had not yet awoke. Mr. Barnett seized the table but was so severely burned about the hands, chin and neck that he dropped it. At this juncture Mrs. Barnett threw a large bedspread over the flames which smothered them out. She was also slightly burned. It was indeed a narrow escape from destruction, not only of the residence but fatally to the family.

Charlie Knott and wife returned to Van Alstyne Saturday.

MISS GARVIN IS COMING

Talented, Double Voice Impersonator, Singer and Lecturer.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH JAN. 2ND

A Program Presenting Temperance, Music, and Elocution Will Be Presented.

Miss Jessie M. Garvin the talented double voice impersonator, singer and Lecturer and for years the successful leader of the noted Garvin Concert Company will appear in McKinney on Friday night January 2nd, at First Christian church, in a most unique, profitable and entertaining program presenting Temperance, music and elocution.

She possesses a marvelous double voice, under perfect control, which has created a sensation in many audiences.

Her range is nearly three octaves, and in the same breath she gives the low bass of a masculine voice and a high, pure soprano.

In impersonation the voices seem so distinct the audience is sometimes startled in believing a man is debating earnestly with her.

This talented and accomplished young woman (with her ten years' wonderful experience before the public,) is an able agitator, reformer and efficient worker, and goes also before colleges and universities with her work. She gives concerts and addresses—entertainments which are both pleasing, instructive and profitable for the most refined audiences.

Miss Garvin will arrive in McKinney on Thursday January 1st, and will be present at the New Year reception.

Plead Guilty

Several pleas of guilty to drunkenness and affrays were heard in Judge Andrews' court Friday afternoon. Among them were Oscar Love, charged with an affray, in which he severely injured Robert Jackson Christmas day. Deputy Sheriff Weeden Franklin arrested two drunk men and Love was requested to assist him in taking them to jail. Jackson thought Love handled one of the men too rough and spoke to him about it. A few words passed between them which resulted in Love knocking Jackson down. Love was fined $1 and cost.

Elected to Fill Vacancy.

At the meeting of the board of trustees of McKinney public schools Tuesday Judge M. G. Abernathy was elected president, to fill the vacancy caused by resignation of Judge Goodner as trustee and president. Dr. W. T. Moore was elected trustree to fill the vacancy from ward 3.

The personel of the board now is: M. G. Abernathy, President; J. L. Franklin, Secretary; J. L. Doggett, Treasurer; J. L. Greer, J. S. Dowell, Sam Massie and Dr W. T. Moore.

Big Barbecue at Grove.

A big barbecue was given at Grove Friday night. The tables were arranged at the rear of Mr. Sniders store. A fat kid, several chickens, and three 'possums were prepared by Claud Mathews who was master of ceremonies.

The following seven McKinneyites attended:

W. S. Coffey, Gabe Beck, Gabe Lucas, S P. Coffey, W. A. Kendall, J. G. Fitzhugh and Dan Neathery. To say that they had a great time does not express it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. O'Guinn and daughter Miss Mary, of Fort Worth who have been visiting the former's brother W. D. O'Gwin and family, returned home Saturday.

Y. M. C. A. RECEPTION

Held at The Hall Friday Night—Large Attendance

GRAND SOCIAL SUCCESS

The Decorations Were Pretty. Splendid Music and Refreshments. Good time.

The Y. M. C. A. hall Friday beautified and adorned with bunting vines and flowers, opened wide its portals and gave a charming welcome to the throng of guests assembled in response to an invitation from its members to a Christmas reception.

For about two hours there was a perfect crush of well wishers and the merry sounds of laughter and conversation filled the house from kitchen to parlor.

All grades were there, the young and the old and many were the enthusiastic remarks concerning the upbuilding and maintaining of this organization designed for the good of the young men of McKinney.

The guests were regaled with dainty sandwiches and coffee, served in the cozy dining room by charming matrons and pretty maidens.

Col. Jack Faw with his sweet-toned "fiddle" furnished music for the evening. He was ably assisted by Joe Rucker, Paul Harris and Mr. Hankal.

A vocal quartette composed of Paul Harris, Joe Rucker, Noel Ingram, and June Melton rendered some splendid selections.

Misses Maggie Furr, Adelle Rhine and Birdie Buck gave beautiful piano selections.

The evening passed away all too quickly and it was a late hour when the guests took their departure with a kindlier feeling in their heart, and renewed zeal for the Y. M. C. A.

B. Y. P. U. Entertainment.

The B. Y. P. U. entertainment given in the parlors of the First Baptist church Christmas was largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

Besides much social pleasure in conversation, music and games, the following program was well rendered:

An address of welcome by Mr. L. J. Truett, president of the B. Y. P. U.

Invocation by pastor Dr. E. E. King.

Instrumental solo by Miss Bessie Crouch who played with the touch of an artist.

A paper on Christmas by Prof. Ortle Cross.

A Violin solo by Miss Mazie Webb, accompanied by Mrs. E. E. King. Miss Webb's selection was a classic, delicately and most sweetly rendered.

A vocal solo by Miss Jessie Dowell, accompanist Miss Crouch Miss Dowell has a rich mellow voice, well cultivated and her singing is always most attractive.

An address on B. Y. P. U. work by Rev. J. A. Held.

Song by Messrs Rucker, C. M and Eustace King who were repeatedly encored.

Last but not least an inimitable entertainment by Col. Jack Faw, with good stories, the fiddle and the bow and old time social songs.

At a late hour the guests dispersed, carrying with them happy memories of another Christmas night, pleasantly and profitably spent.

Death of Child

Alva, the little two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hale who live near Branch, died last Tuesday at 6 o'clock and was buried next day at 12 m. at Forest Grove cemetery.

HARMONIE FAREWELL BALL

Its Last, the Most Brilliant Occasion in Its Career

A VERY BRILLIANT HALL

Many Guests Present—Music by Carrico's Orchestra, Concealed by Lattice Work

Thursday eve Harmonie Club gave its farewell ball before passing into history as one of the "has beens."

For the last four years it has been one of the leading social organizations of the city and its history has been a part of the history of McKinney until recently it was decided to merge with the new order of Elks, which succeeds in occupancy of the spacious hall, which has long been Harmonie headquarters.

The membership of Harmonie club includes many of the representative young men of the city and the entertainments given by them have become proverbial for their elegance and enjoyability.

The ball last night was said to have eclipsed any former occasion and was a fitting close to the career of this popular club.

Harmonie Hall never presented a more charming appearance; from floor to ceiling, around columns and arches the trailing vines wound their clinging tendrils in charming imitation of nature.

The club colors, green and red, were carried out in artistic elegance in all the decorations.

From the ceiling in the parlor was suspended a beautiful bell of green foliage lined with red.

Two similas ones were seen in the dance hall where stately palms and lovely ferns were used in profusion.

The stage where the orchestra sat was concealed by a lattice work of ribbon covered with smilax. In the rear of the hal', "Farewell to Harmonie Club" was designed by artistic hands in the prevailing color scheme.

Many handsome gowns were worn in honor of this gala occasion and the young men were the recipients of unanimous praise and commendation of their efforts to make this ba'l the one that should linger in the memory of all who attended as the brightest and best.

Music was furnished by Carrico's band of Dallas.

Punch was served throughout the evening.

Collin Co. Students Entertained.

The following Collin county students of Texas Christian University, Waco, were entertained Tuesday evening and Christmas Eve-day at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Shirley and Mr. and Mrs Hogue Coffman at Melissa, by Miss Pauline and Mr. Douglas Shirley and Miss Bessie Coffman:

Misses Willie May Scott, Coral Hamlin, and Helen Horn of this, city; Anna Lou Shirley of Anna, Pricie Bush of Allen and Miss Mewhinny of Holland, Messrs Alfred Scott and Houston Foster of this city, Ben Moulden of Murphy, Walter and Will Bush of Allen, and Homer Rowe of Waco.

Mrs. Santa Claus Visit.

Mrs. J. E. Gibson entertained the younger members of her music class Christmas eve at three o'clock with a nice Christmas tree heavily loaded with presents. A number of the children's parents and Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus were present The presents were distributed by Mrs. Santa Claus in a very graceful and charming manner.

The children became very much attached to her during the hour that she was present, and hope to see her again next Christmas.

T. C. PERRY'S RETURN

On Jan. 1st. Becomes Associate Manager Big McKinney Firm

WITH WHITE DRY GOODS CO.

Business in 1903 Under Management of Messrs. Everett and Perry. Formerly Here

T. C. Perry, for many years one of the most prominent dry goods merchants of McKinney, will again return to the city and engage in the same business Jan. 1st

On that date he will accept a position with the White Dry Goods Co. as associate manager with T. F. Everett, the popular manager of the firm during its four years business career.

Mr. Perry has been at Sulphur Springs for several years since leaving McKinney. During his long residence here, Mr. Perry was a leader in religious and social circles, as well as in business lines.

Multitudes of friends in McKinney and throughout Collin county will extend T. C. Perry a cordial welcome on his return to our midst.

We predict a more popular career than ever for the big White Dry Goods Co. under the management of Messrs Everett and Perry.

Reception at Capt. Dowell's.

One of the gayest affairs of the happy Christmas time was the reception given Saturday night at the home of Capt. and Mrs. J. S. Dowell in honor of their daughter Miss Jessie, who is at home a few days from college at Belton. The entire house was aglow with light and warmth and good cheer. The beautiful rooms with their gaily dressed occupants did not need the touch of the florist to enhance their beauty, but vines and flowers were used with fine effect. Music, games and conversation were a part of the evening's pleasure. Miss Elliott, of Sherman, gave two splendid readings for the entertainment of the guests. About twenty couples were present. The fair honoree, always admired for her intellectual attainments, graciously sang "He Was a Prince." Miss Jessie possesses a rare voice and her friends confidently expect pleasing results from the careful training she is receiving. Cream and cake, stuffed dates and salted almonds were daintily served in the dining room from a table prettily decorated with white and red carnations.

Presents From London.

Masters Walter, Phil and Tom, little sons of Walter Mockford, are the happy recipients of a nice book each just received from their grand mother Mrs. Celina Mockford, of London, England. They are greatly esteemed as Christmas presents by the little fellows. It took the books about two weeks to make their long journey across the ocean and to reach their Texas destination via New York.

Deputies Remembered

County Clerk W. M. Shirley remembered his deputies. W. B. Walden, A. P. Carter, J. C. Saunders and Walter Keen, with a fine turkey and two dozen oysters for Christmas. This toothsome gift is very much appreciated by each of these clever gentlemen.

For Belton.

The following girls left Monday afternoon for Belton where they are students in Baylor College:

Misses Jessie Dowell, Irma Clifton, Mary Wiley, Hattie Webb and Bessie Crouch. They were accompanied by Misses Mattie Dowell and Emma King, teach-

ALLEN GATEWOOD IS DEAD

The End Came Monday Morning at 1 O'clock

JUST TWENTY-ONE YEARS OLD

Had Suffered Many Years From Tuberculosis. Buried This Afternoon at Pecan Grove

Oliver Allen Gatewood, Jr., died Monday at 1 o'clock a. m at the home of his mother, Mrs. J. J. Thompson, who lives about one mile west of McKinney.

He was just twenty-one years of age, and had been afflicted with tuberculosis from childhood. He had been rapidly declining for more than five years. He had spent much time at San Antonio and in the mountains of Colorado and Mexico. His last sickness was accompanied with great suffering.

A few days ago, before sinking into unconsciousness, he told his loved ones that the end was approaching and that he was prepared to go, and really his death was a sweet relief; the severing of a young life from a weary diseased body, to return to the God who gave it, where in the sunlight of His everlasting love it can develop into perfection. Though under the weight of disease he was always cheerful, kind and sweet tempered. He was loved dearly by his kinsmen and friends and his death is more keenly felt than if he had been strong and stalwart. There is a vacancy in the home that can never be filled, and it will take long years to soften the sorrow.

The deceased was born June 18th, 1881, in Moscow, Fayette county, Tennessee. His father, whose name he bears, died when he was an infant. His mother came to McKinney with other relatives in 1883, where he has been raised, and no young man was more highly esteemed.

Funeral services were conducted at the residence that afternoon at 2 o'clock, by Dr. E. E. King. A large concourse of relatives and friends followed the remains to Pecan Grove cemetery where the interment took place.

The Democrat extends condolence to the family and many relatives.

Officers for Junior League.

At the business meeting of the Junior Epworth League of the Methodist church, held Sunday afternoon, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Lewis Stuckey, president.

Kathleen McMullen, 1st vice president.

Zack Howard 2nd vice president.

Houston Moore, 3rd vice president.

Hattie Moore, secretary.

J. L. Todd, treasurer.

Pauline Rogers, organist.

Ethel Ingram, assistant organist.

Mrs. J. L. Todd, manager.

This is the ninth year that Mrs. Todd has been elected manager for the little folks.

Lost Two Fingers at Van Alstyne

Van Alstyne, Tex., Dec. 27.—Joe A. McKinney, manager of the local oil mill, met with a serious misfortune last night. In starting up the machinery for the night run his right hand slipped off a valve which he was attempting to adjust and was caught among the rapidly revolving machinery, resulting in two fingers being cut off at the first joint.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Franks of Booneville, Ark., spent Saturday night and Sunday the guest of their grand daughter and family, Mrs. Thad Shaw.



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THE CLOSING YEAR

The Democrat desires to express its appreciation of the many favors it has received during the year now closing. Old friends and many new ones have been very kind, and nothing stands out more prominently in the memories of the year than these many little acts of friendship and tokens of appreciation. To our advertising patrons, subscribers and readers generally The Courier, as it bids a fond adieu to 1902, wishes you, one and all, a happy, prosperous New Year and a continuance in the future of the most pleasant relations existing between you and the paper during the past.

There seeme to be no cessation of interest in the University.

The weather will soon permit the resumption of railroad building.

It is reported that ex-Governor J. S. Hogg is going to marry a San Antonio lady.

The year 1902 is nearing to a close. Get out your resolutions and brush them up for 1903.

It is reported that Senator Mason of Illinois cannot find a member of the legislature to present his name to that body for re-election.

On January 1st speak a kind word to every person--old or young--you meet and then at nightfall reflect on what a sunshiny, happy day it was and how nice it would be to enjoy 365 of them.

The Democrat is under obligations to Congressman C. B. Randell for a copy of the Congressional Directory. It contains much valuable information concerning the Fifty-Seventh Congress and its members that will prove a splendid newspaper reference.

Rev. W. H. Roberts, D. D., L.L. D., of Philadelphia, who for years has been stated clerk of the Presbyterian general assembly and than whom there is no more prominent man in all the church, says of it, "The movement for endowment of the Presbyterian university in the state of Texas is worthy the support and gifts of Presbyterians in every part of the United States.

Rev. Duncan J. McMillan, D D., of New York city, who for many years was secretary of the Presbyterian board of home missions says of the Texas Presbyterian University: "There is no other single educational movement that means so much for the welfare of our country (not Texas alone) as the success of the Presbyterian university."

Rev. H. C. Thompson, D. D., president of the Theological seminary at Albuquerque, N. M., says of the Presbyterian University: "The conception and design of the Texas Presbyterian University appears to me to be what I call genuine Presbyterian statesmanship. I feel sure that our church, mother of sound principle and solid education, has enough wise and wealthy sons and daughters to make this center of religion and patriotism a multi-millionaire institution."

Splendid Dining

A splendid dining was served to a number of relatives at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Cooke yesterday. Those present were:

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Wolford, of Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Fitzhugh.

Mr and Mrs. J. G. Fitzhugh.

Mrs. Hal Compton, of Dallas.

Mrs. J. P. Harding, of Hereford.

Miss Adele Rhine of Paris and Mr. Robt Seay.

Unconscious From Croup.

During a sudden and terrible attack of croup our little girl was unconscious from strangulation, says A. L. Spafford, postmaater, Chester, Mich., and a dose of One Minute Cough Cure was administered and repeated often. It reduced the swelling and inflammation, cut the mucus and shortly the child was resting easy and speedily recovered. It cures Coughs, Colds, LaGrippe, and all Throat and Lung troubles. One Minute Cough Cure lingers in the throat and chest and enables the lungs to contribute pure, health-giving oxygen to the blood. For sale by City Drug Store.

WILL OCCUPY BOTH FLOORS

The Elk Lodge Will Secure the 1st and 2nd Floors of Temple

The charter members of the newly organized Elk Lodge held a call meeting at Harmonie Hall last night.

It was decided to secure the second floor of the building from the masons. The new lodge will have both up and down stairs fitted by for their use.

Mrs. Moffitt, wife of editor D. J. Moffitt of the Pilot Point Post Signal, is in the city visiting her niece, Mrs. J. A. Held.

Gem From Funeral Oration

Here is a gem from the funeral oration delivered at the grave of Congressman Burns by the late John J. Ingalls: "In the democracy of the dead all men are at last equal. There is neither rank nor station nor prerogative in the republic of the grave. At this fatal threshold the philosopher ceases to be wise and the poet is silent. Dives relinquishes his millions and Lazarus his rags. The poor man is as rich as the richest, and the rich man as poor as the pauper. The creditor loses his usury and the debtor is acquitted of his obligation. There the proud man surrenders his dignities, the politician his honors, the worlding his pleasures, the invalid needs no physician, and the laborer rests from his unrequited toil. Here at last is nature's final equity. The wrongs of time are redressed, injustice is explained, the irony of fate is refuted, the unequal distribution of wealth, honor, capacity pleasure and opportunity, which makes life so cruel and inexplicable a tragedy, ceases in the realm of death. The strongest there has no supremacy and the weakest has no defense. The mighty captain succumbs to the invincible adversary who disarms alike the victor and the vanquished."

Open Business in Dallas.

Hilary S. Ball and Willie J. Rhea, of this city, have associated themselves together and will open up a wholesale grain business in Dallas on Jan. 1st.

The style of the firm will be The Metropolitan Grain & Seed Company.

Mr. Ball left for Dallas Monday evening to furnish their office which will be located in the National Exchange Bank building on Main street. Mr. Rhea will leave Thursday,

McKinney has no worthier young men than these and we regret to see them leave. They are both possessed of fine business qualifications.

Mr. Ball has had several years experience in the grain business. Mr. Rhea is an efficient bookkeeper, having been in the employ of the J. D. Stiff Dry Goods Co. for two years.

We predict for them success in their new field of labor.

Elegant Dining Tuesday.

A merry crowd of ladies and gentlemen enjoyed the hospitality of the Ditto home Tuesday at a regular Christmas dinner. Every course from the oyster soup to the dripped coffee was calculated to please the palate of an epicure.

Mrs. Ditto, who is always vivacious and pleasing, presided with charming grace. Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Beverly.
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Curtis.
Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Clifton.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ball.
Capt. and Mrs. J. L. Greer,
Mrs. Ben Boydstun.
Mrs. J L Moore of Rockwall.
Miss Jennie McBride.

Entertained Monday Evening.

The young ladies and gentlemen who were entertained by Misses Alice and Sadie Kirkpatrick Monday night will retain a most pleasantmemory for future days.

Conventionality was thrown aside and each guest entered with a hearty zest into the pleasures of the evening.

The couples numbered about eighteen. The affair was given in honor of their guests, Misses Mayhew of Sherman and Cole of Mississippi. The guests were served with most delightful punch.

Will Return to McKinney

Dr. J. F. Cole, formerly of McKinney and recently of Iowa, will go to Chicago the first of January where he will remain two or three months to attend lectures and freshen up to date on optics, and also to attend a school of engraving, and about April first he intends to move back to McKinney where we feel sure his many friends will welcome him and his estimable wife. We understand that he will again be located with D. Goodin.

Suit Filed

J. M. Powell vs G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., is the style of a suit filed in county court asking for damages caused his farm and crop by the overflow of water from the creek near Wylie which was damned up by the railroad company.

WAS SAVED BY SIGNAL

Farmer Prevented Wreck on Santa Fe Railroad

BETWEEN WYLIE - COPEVILLE

A Rail Had Been Broken, the Ends of Which Had Turned Inward

The following thrilling account appeared in today's Dallas News:

The Santa Fe Flyer, due in Dallas at 7:30 p. m, arrived last night thirty minutes late, having encountered an experience between Wylie and Copeville, about twenty miles north of Dallas, from which the passengers are in some cases still weak and shaken.

Among the passengers was H. B. Marchbanks of Dallas, who tells the following story

At the point named, the train was buzzing along at about thirty miles per hour when a flaming signal was seen waving across the track. The train ground down to a stop, and the passengers prepared for train robbers or any other evil which might come.

Instead of train robbers there was encountered J. B. Holloway, a farmer, who was waving a hand ful of burning brush across a broken rail the ends of which had curled inward.

A purse was made up for Mr. Holloway by the passengers as a token of their appreciation, and at Wylie the conductor telegraphed a complimentary record to headquarters. The train crew repaired the rail and the train was delayed but thirty minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Nenney gave a cordial welcome and delightfully entertained a party of merry-makers at their home last night in honor of their son, Jim. It has been wisely ordered that at the period of life through which these young people are passing cares and responsibilities are unknown, the present a day of pleasure and the future a bright dream to contribute to their enjoyment is a duty as well as a pleasure, and well indeed did Mr. and Mrs. Nenny succed in their efforts to dispense cheer and happiness last night. Envelopes containing questions were handed the boys and the answers distributed among the girls. Thus escorts were chosen to go to the dining room where a delicious luncheon was served.

Miss Deason, of Dallas, who has been in the city a guest at the home of Wm. Abernathy returned home this morning. She was accompanied home by Misses Clara and Cecil Abernathy.

RESOLUTION 1903.

The best resolution to make, because it is no trouble to keep. Start the new year by buying shoes of - - - - - -

The Herald Shoe Store.

A saving to you of 25 to 75 cents on every pair you buy. Our styles are correct, shoes are new from factory. No middle man's profit. A share of your patronage will be appreciated.

Herald Shoe Company,

JAS. A. WATERS, MANAGER

NEW TURNER BRICK OPPOSITE P. O.

McKinney, - - Texas

Our New Year Compliments.

THE old year presents its compliments to the new. The new year accepts the things as the old left them. There are many pleasures and much satisfaction to those who take up the best of the present and look for still better things in the future. We are always in the lead with the best, purest and largest stock of drugs. We always keep abreast of every advantage. These are the inducements we offer the public for its continued liberal patronage during 1903.

Smith Bros., & Co.

Goingism Startles the World!



Prof. T. B. Going, at Greenville, Texas, the originator of his wonderful method of Suggestive and Magnetic Therapeutics, is the phenomenon of the world, and the greatest Healer of the age. The mere touch of his hand relieves the most terrific and excruciating pain that ever invaded the human body.

By his wonderful healing method he sends an electric thrill of new life, strength and energy, pulsating through sluggish minds and weak bodies. This vitalizing, life-inspiring force sent from this wonderful man, pervades, stimulates and awakens to healthy action every organ in the human body, thus giving sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, and action to the lame. Every disease and pain yields to the power of this wonderful healer like midnight darkness to the rays of light, and every disease known to man is cured by him without the use of drugs or the surgeon's knife.

The following diseases and many others are treated successfully by him: Appendicitis, Asthma, Bronchitis, Cancer, Gravel, Renal and Galstone Colic, Heart Disease, Dyspepsia, Diarrhœa, Constipation, Fistula, Gout, Epilepsy, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Nervous Prostration, Paralysis, Spermatorrhœa, Morphine Habit, and every disease peculiar to women. Prof. Going can cure all your ailments by his method of absent treatment. He, therefore, earnestly solicits your correspondence.

Prof. Going claims no supernatural power. What he claims to do he will teach you to do, or not charge you a cent. His complete course in his class room will cost you $25; his complete mail course of ten lessons, containing 27,000 words, will cost you $10.

Sapulpa, I. T., Aug. 20, 1902.

PROF. T. B. GOING:—My sister has been an epileptic eight years. She had from eight to twelve hard fits each 24 hours for a week or more in each month. She became greatly demented. We tried many physicians on her in vain. She has wonderfully improved under your absent treatment; hasn't had a fit for three months, and is much stronger physically and mentally. Your power is truly wonderful. MRS. M. J. COWAN.

Springfield, Mo., July 14, 1902.

PROF. T. B. GOING:—I suffered for over two years with heart disease. I was treated by eight different physicians, and took medicine each day in vain. I took two personal treatments from you in August, 1901. Since then I have enjoyed perfect health. BEN. D. SCHOEN.

Fredericktown, July 12, 1902.

PROF. T. B. GOING:—I suffered for thirty years from heart disease, dyspepsia, diarrhœa, rheumatism, neuralgia, nervous prostration, granulated eyes. Two years ago I was so nervous a little mouse crossing my room shocked my whole system. I took a few personal treatments and four months' absent treatment from you. The result was my complete restoration to health and vigor. MRS. M. SEABAUGH.

Greenville, Mo., March 1, 1902.

DEAR BRO. GOING:—I thought you had been treating me much stronger than usual. I felt your vibrations decidedly greater. You may stop your treatments. I think it unnecessary to continue them. I am over the aches and pains that troubled me. You are a success as a healer. I can testify to it. MRS. MARY B. PRICE.

Prof T. B. Going, **The Great Suggestive and Magnetic Healer**, of Greenville, Texas, **Causes Diseases to Disappear as if by Magic.**

If you think he is a fakir; or if you doubt his ability to cure your ailments come to his healing room and take his treatment for one month; if you are not cured, or greatly benefitted he will not charge you one cent. This proposition will continue for four months only. Come and take advantage of it,

Teaches His Method to Others.

Prof. T. B, Going, the originator of his marvelous Healing Method, will teach the art of others, how to cure every known disease, without the aid of drugs or the surgeon's knife. Any one, who desires; can learn this noble profession. Any one, who learns it, will be a mighty power in this world for good, and can, by its practice, earn wealth and fame.

Prof. Going will teach you, in twenty-one days, by personal instruction, in his class room, to do all he claims to do; and if he fails to teach you, he will not charge you a cent

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FROM OVER THE COUNTY.

GROVE

Grove, Dec. 29, 1902.—Bud Faulkner of Henderson county is visiting relatives here.

Bro. Ben Faulkner of Wylie spent Sunday night with us.

Dow Cantrell has gone to Clay county where he expects to remain until summer.

Mr and Mrs Chas Chastain of Garland spent last week with Mrs Chastain's parents Mr and Mrs G D Kerby of Grove.

Willie Warden who has been in the Indian Territory for several months has returned home.

Forest and Willie Sneed of McKinney spent a few days in Lazy Neck last week.

E F England of this community has gone to Kentucky where he will remain for a few weeks and then go to Florida on a business trip.

Mr and Mrs Tom Spurgin of Vineland spent Christmas with relatives in Grove.

Our assistant teacher, Miss Alice Lewis, spent the holidays with homefolks near Princeton.

MILLWOOD

Millwood, Dec. 29.—Ben Mott fell from a tree last Monday night and broke his arm. We are glad to report he is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Brook who we reported sick in our last letter is very low.

Miss Myrtle Blair is visiting relatives in Dallas.

Mrs Nunn and children of Commerce returned home yesterday after several days visit to her parents Mr and Mrs Jim Montgomery.

Jack Brundidge and Tom Bates are at home again after spending a few days at Lehigh I T.

Edd Shines and wife of Greenville recently visited the former's sister Mrs J I Brook.

Miss Myrtle Carpenter, our teacher, has returned from her home in Farmersville and has begun her work again.

Isaac Emerson and sister Miss Josie visited relatives in Wylie Saturday and Sunday.

Rube Williams, Will Foote, T J and W D Mott have gone to Fate after corn today.

E H Blair has returned from Wolfe City where he visited his son.

TIOGA

Tioga, Dec. 29, 1902.—Christmas has come and passed off very quietly although we have had some nice weather during Christmas holidays but it was dull Christmas as there was not the money made last year as had been in former years.

Christmas night was not a very enjoyable night for the Tioga people as at about 6:30 the fire alarm was given. Everyone rushed to the scene but were too late to save the house. It belonged to Mrs. J. H. Kays of Roff, I. T., and was occupied by Mr Harris and family who were away from home. Both the house and household goods were insured for a small sum.

The school began Monday morning after a weeks vacation for Christmas.

Hope everyone has had a nice time during Christmas but that you have not forgotten the electric line question from McKinney to Gainesville as this is something we need and need awful bad.

We also hope McKinney will get that school and cotton factory.

Will Van Zandt who is attending school at Houston, is here spending Christmas with home folks.

Andrew Mershon who is attending school at White Wright is spending Christmas with his parents here.

L A Mershon left last week for Kentucky for a few weeks visit.

Whorton House who is working in New Mexico is here for a visit to his parents Rev D O House. Also his son Will of Dallas is here visiting him.

Mrs Dickard and Miss Mertil Dickson of Aubrey are here visiting friends during Christmas.

Little Oland Van Zant who is attending the blind college at Austin is here spending Christmas with his parents.

Charlie Nicholson and Miss Effie Willet of this place were married at Pilot Point the 25th. Also Mr Floyd Raines and Miss Clark were married Christmas day. We extend best wishes to them all.

S H Foster went to Collin last week on business.

Mrs Bennett is quite sick.

John Cook returned from Comanche, I T. He says every thing is dull up there.

J D Daughtery and Miss Florence Qualls of this place were married at Pilot Point last Sunday the 28th. We extend best wishes

Mrs Clara Ledbetter is quite sick.

W F Spears has bought J A Motherhead's grocery store and will continue the business.

Mrs Brown and daughter Miss Jennie are spending Christmas with relatives in Sherman.

Miss Annie Cond spent Christmas with relatives in Leonard, Texas.

Mr and Mrs L F Brown and Mrs I Kile spent Christmas with relatives in Ft Worth.

E D Dudley and family left last week for Ft Worth to make that place their home. We regret to see them leave but wish them success in their new home.

Well I wish all a happy New Year and hope each and everyone of the writers will continue to write.

I could not do without the Democrat now at all.

Little John

GRAYBILL

Graybill, Dec 29, 1902.—Christmas has come and gone. It was extremely quiet in Graybill.

G W Holcomb's little babe is still very sick.

D M Fair has gone to Hopkins county, near Weaver.

L E Caylor and D W Hood visited Whitewright Friday.

Griff Trotter shot himself through the hand Christmas eve with a toy pistol inflicting a painful wound.

Mr Hullum is preparing to move.

Prof D M Kelley went to Whitewright Saturday on business.

Blacksmith Jackson of Westminster is moving to Sedalia.

Laurence Kelley has purchased the blacksmith and repair shop at Sedalia from Lem Moore.

Billie Giles has gone to South Carolina on a visit to his parents.

Tom McCarty of Cook county has been visiting his brother Newt also Jess and Sam Trotter.

Mrs M C Hood visited Mrs G W Holcomb Sunday.

Dock George has gone to Durant, I T, to move a Mr Childress from Valdasta.

D N Hood will move near McKinney one day this week.

Floyd Caylor is still at Gray Texas.

Atlas Brewer gave his friends a big dinner on the 24th.

The youngsters enjoyed themselves Friday night at a social at the home of Mr and Mrs Tallent.

PRINCETON

Princeton, Dec. 29.—There was no preaching at the M E church Sunday, the pastor, Rev Edwards being away. He and wife are visiting relatives in Sherman.

Rev G W Day, of Ego I T, visited here Monday.

Mrs Ward and children, of Chambersville, spent Christmas with Mrs Ward's mother Mrs A F Meroney.

Raymond Lowe returned to McKinney Monday, after spending the holidays with homefolks.

Mrs Farris Shaw and Miss Ella Shaw, of McKinney, visited Mr and Mrs Will Shaw here Saturday.

Misses Lizzie Dalton and Mary Lowe spent part of last week in McKinney the guests of the Misses Burton. They were accompanied home Sunday by Miss Lizzie Burton, who will visit here several days.

Mrs J C Greer and little daughter, Rosabel, spent Christmas day with Mrs Greer's parents Mr and Mrs A B Mayes in McKinney.

Mrs J A Mallow is visiting in Greenville.

Miss Bertha Herron is visiting Miss Mary Wilcoxson in Farmersville.

Mrs M H Royle spent Saturday with her daughter Mrs F F Hill in McKinney.

Born to Mr and Mrs J A Jones on Friday December the 26th—a girl.

A W Lynn and wife of McKinney are visiting relatives here.

The young people of our town were entertained by a social given at the home of Mr and Mrs J A Brown Friday night.

Misses Allie and Tennie Lewis of Milligan spent Tuesday with Misses Hattie and Annie Wilson.

S O Miller and family have moved into their new home.

The following officers were elected in the Epworth League for the incoming year:

Pink Dugger, president.

Mrs Sadie Howard, 1st vice president.

Perry Mack, 2nd vice president

Miss Bertha Herron, 3rd vice president.

Miss Emma Flanagan, secretary.

Miss Virgie Campbell, organist.

Miss Hattie Wilson, assistant organist.

Four more of our young people celebrated Christmas by getting married. The contracting parties were: Mr Newt Godwin and Miss Cleo Pilgrim; Mr Edgar Meroney and Miss Dora Pilgrim.

Quite a number of their friends accompanied them to Farmersville where the ceremony was performed by Rev W D Mountcastle.

J A Winn and family of Chmax have moved into our community.

Now that Christmas is over and it, with its attending jollifications and with the old year are soon to be classed with the things of the past. It is befitting that we should look back upon them only as they suggest amendments to our lives, striving to forget the unpleasant remembrances that they bring. Let us each resolve on the dawn of the New Year to profit by our experiences during the past year endeavoring to discharge, with wisdom, the duties devolving upon us.

May the New Year be a happy one to every reader of The Democrat is the wish of your scribe.

FLORA.

One Hundred Dollars a Box.

Is the value H. A. Tisdale, Summerton, S. C., places on DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. He says: "I had the piles for 20 years. I tried many doctors and medicines, but all failed except DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cured me." It is a combination of the healing properties of Witch Hazel with antiseptics and emollients; relieves and permanently cures blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, sores, cuts, bruises, eczema, salt rheum and all skin diseases. For sale by City Drug Store.

A Chartered Company

An Austin special contains the following among a list of charters granted.

Purnell & Bacon Company of Greenville; capital stock $50,000; purpose to transact a wholesale and retail general mercantile business. Incorporated by William Purnell, G. M. Rucker, William Boerne, Gordon Willis and G. A. Tishmaker.

SURPLUS FUND INCREASED

Annual Meeting of Board of Directors Today

COLLIN COUNTY NAT. BANK

Increases Its Surplus Fund $10,000 and Pays a Dividend of Like Amount

The board of directors of the Collin County National Bank held its annual meeting today and from the net earnings of the last six months, increased its surplus fund $10,000, making it now $50,000, also declared a dividend of five per cent on its capital stock of $200,000.

This evidence of the successful management and continued prosperity of this institution will be highly gratifying to the people of this city and county, as it is owned and managed by some of old Collins' wealthiest and most successful financiers.

We understand that in the last few days Jesse Shain, the president, W. B. Newsome, vice president and J. S. Heard, director, have purchased large blocks of the Dr. G. A. Foote stock in this bank from his heirs, paying $150 per share, being a premium of fifty per cent.

It is admitted by all that this bank has been one of the principal factors in the upbuilding and development of this city and county and has always been the strong friend of every enterprise tending to this end.

We bespeak long continued prosperity for the Collin County National bank.

Mayor J. M. Pearson and daughter Mrs. Clarence Merritt went to Dallas this morning.

REV. ANSELM BROWN HERE

An Educator of Experience. Looking for a Location

FOR PREPARATORY SCHOOL

He Has Several Letters of Recommendation, Among Them One From Rev. W. H. Clagett

Rev. Anselm B. Brown, an educator of experience, is at the New Wade Hotel to consider the expediency of opening a preparatory school for boys and young men, or an academy for both sexes in McKinney.

Rev. Mr. Brown is a graduate of Yale University and is a Presbyterian minister. If the Presbyterian University comes to McKinney the preparatory work for entering students will be well under way; a few of the scholars at least would be ready to enter the collegiate department, and, in all likelihood, the school, now proposed, would become the preparatory department of the University.

The plan is not at all in conflict with the University movement but right along the line in every effort to have the great institution come to this city.

Rev. Mr. Hill, Pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church of Dallas, called Rev. Mr. Brown's attention to the need of a school here.

Rev. Mr. Riggs, of the 2nd Presbyterian church, and Rev. Mr. Claggett have given letters of introduction.

If the University does not come to McKinney the school which Rev. Mr. Brown has in consideration would be a great advantage to the city and county.

DEATH OF MRS. M. J. WARE

She Was Among the Earliest Settles of Collin County

RESIDED HERE FIFTY YEARS

She Was the Mother of Seven Children. Funeral at Three O'clock This Afternoon

Mrs M. J. Ware died last night at 10 o'clock at her home five miles south of McKinney. She had been sick for about two weeks with typhoid fever, but the immediate cause of her death was congestion.

Mrs. Ware was seventy-one years of age and one of the oldest citizens in the county. She and her husband James Ware came to Texas over fifty years ago and located on the farm where she died.

Her husband has been dead several years. She and her son Charles and a widowed daughter Mrs. Sallie Willis, lived together. Her other children are, Clark and Dave Ware who reside in the Indian Territory, Walter and Bent who live south of McKinney. One son, Jack, is dead.

Mrs. Ware was a sister to James and Louis Wetsel.

She had been a life long member of the Christian church and was liked by everyone who knew her.

She was always kind and gentle and had made smooth the paths of many with whom she came in contact.

The funeral took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Eld. R. R. Hamlin, of this city preached the sermon and conducted the services.

The interment was made at Forest Grove. The Courier joins the many friends of the family in offering sympathy.

A Scientific Discovery.

Kodol does for the stomach that which it is unable to do for itself, even when but slightly disordered or over-loaded. Kodol supplies the natural juices of digestion and does the work of the stomach, relaxing the nervous tension, while the inflamed muscles of that organ are allowed th rest and heal. Kodol digests what you eat and enables the stomac o and digestive organs to transform all food into rich, red blood. For sale by City Drug Store.

NEW YEAR'S GREETING.

I wish to thank the people of McKinney and Collin County for their liberal patronage given me during the past year, and hope to receive a continuance of same in the future.

Yours Respectfully,

R. E. CHAMBERS,

Proprietor Star Bakery.

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to Diseases of Nose, Throat and diseases of women, skin, Genito-Urinary organs, rectum and nervous system.

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Guardians, Administrators or other persons needing a bond, or persons wishing to BORROW MONEY, see

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NORTH BOUND H & T C.

No 9—4 04 a m | No 7—1:03 p m
No 5—9:46 a m | No 3—8:46 p m

SOUTH BOUND H & T C.

No 4—9:12 a m | No 10—3:44 p m.
No 8—1:03 p m | No 6—6.48 p m

EAST LINE—M K & T.

Leave 8:30 a m | Arrives 5:15 p m

LOCAL

Arrives 11 a. m | Leaves 2:05 pm.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the regular session of the 28th legislature of the state of Texas, for the enactment of a law for the relief of the heirs of Col. Wm. Fitzhugh, and an appropriation to reimburse and pay to them money which the said Col. William Fitzhugh expended out of his private funds for the use and benefit of the state of Texas while in command of a company of State Rangers. Said money having been expended for the purchase of horses and mules and supplies for said state rangers and during the year 1860.

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THURSDAY, JAN. 1, 1903

The Democrat trusts that all its readers enjoyed Christmas to the fullest degree.

May the Presbyterian University be the gift of the New Year to McKinney is the wish of the Courier.

Begin the new year by thoroughly cleaning up your premises, thus improving the sanitary condition of your community.

The Banner and The Herald almost daily decline flaming advertisements from foreign whisky houses.—Greenville Herald.

President Roosevelt will not act as arbitrator in the Venezuelan affair. The matter will be referred to the Hague Peace tribunal.

The San Antonio Municipal Campaign is getting red hot. There is a citizens ticket, a republican ticket and a democratic ticket in the field for municipal pie.

Arrangements have been made to establish a tobacco farm two miles west of Rockport. New industries like these will prove to the people that crops can be diversified in Texas.

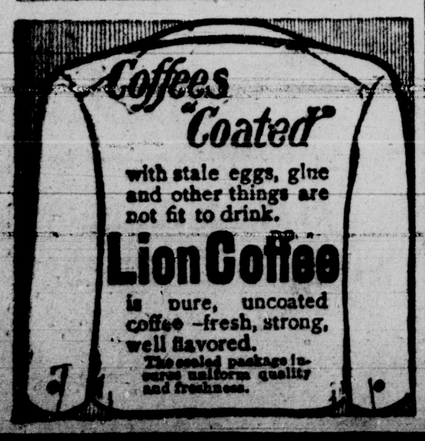
A mob at Pittsburg, Kansas, lynched Montgomery Godley for killing policeman Hinkle of that place. It now comes to light that Joe Godley, the brother of the mob's victim did the killing. This is an awful reminder that mob law should not prevail.

D. N. Watson who ran a saloon prior to the local option law at Greenville, but who now is running a prescription house has sued Editor E. W. Harris of the Greenville Herald for $5000 for alleged libel. We do not suppose that friend Harris is uneasy about the outcome of the suit.

The Democrat cheerfully endorses the move to vote $100,000 of bonds for building better roads in Dallas county. In this proposition city and county tax payers alike will share the expense. None should, and we believe none will, object to contributing to this most important public necessity.—Dallas Democrat.

The Washington Times says that a certain representative from rural Wisconsin desired a drink of water before going to bed the other night, found that the bellboy had neglected to leave the customary pitcher in his room. A little search however, revealed two small buttons on the wall, under one which was inscribed, "Push twice for water." He pushed as directed, and when the bellboy arrived with the water the congressman was found holding a pitcher under the button.

We have read with interest accounts of the charity work being done by the ladies Federation of Clubs of Dallas. Under the leadership of that noble woman Mrs. E. P. Turner, president of the association, they have systematically and effectually waited on the poor of Dallas, distributing Christmas tokens to the destitute, carrying good cheer into the homes, sympathizing with almost hopeless mothers and fathers and caressing the unfortunate children of poverty. Such work is the noblest of life. It is only a little way to the close of each individual life. To lie down, conscious of such work—with the blessings of our fellow beings, is far better than carved marble above an idler's grave. Heaven bless Mrs. Turner and her co-workers.



Aching Joints

In the fingers, toes, arms, and other parts of the body, are joints that are inflamed and swollen by rheumatism—that acid condition of the blood which affects the muscles also.

Sufferers dread to move, especially after sitting or lying long, and their condition is commonly worse in wet weather.

"It has been a long time since we have been without Hood's Sarsaparilla. My father thinks he could not do without it. He has been troubled with rheumatism since he was a boy, and Hood's Sarsaparilla is the only medicine he can take that will enable him to take his place in the field." Miss Ada Doty, Sidney, Iowa.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Remove the cause of rheumatism—no outward application can. Take them.

SPARE THE BIRDS.

There is not a child in this broad land who is not familiar with the well worn lines, "Woodman, spare that tree," and the tender sentiment evoked is because the quotation touches the love we all have for nature, and the spring of youth at the same time. How much nearer the heart of man and child should be the cry which is now going up of "spare the birds?" Leaving the broad question of sentiment entirely out of the discussion and the situation suggested, includes some points which closely affect the economic features of our daily life, and prove that the life of the bird means the death of the insect, while the life of the insect means a death to the hopes of the farmer and a source of expense and inconvenience to the world at large. The Almighty put both birds and bugs upon earth. The bugs eat everything in sight, but the birds eat the bugs, and it frequently takes a great variety of birds to disturb the serenity of a varying quantity and degree of bugs.

Whether it be fashion, foible or a natural cruelty, man slays the little feathered whirlwind of color, and hat and appetite are alike satiated and the crimson drops from a myriad of tiny warblers, and the soft down of a million rounded breasts is rumpled and crushed in death. Now comes the David of science and investigation, who thunders the propaganda that the birds must be spared if the crops be saved. The boll weevil this year killed cotton squares and destroyed other vegetation to the value of over $75,000,000 in Texas alone. What about the birds? Their job was very much in evidence. Where were they? Ask the pot hunter, the trapper, and don't forget the small boy—all deadly enemies. The most common field birds are becoming scarce and the time was when they nested in your fence corners and sang in your gardens. They don't now. Why?—Literary Bureau, H. & T. C., Southern Pacific.

STEAMBOAT TRAGEDIES.

Between 1816, when steamboat traffic was becoming important on Western waters and 1871, when it was warning, more than one thousand vessels were lost on the Mississippi and its tributaries. Allowing an average of ten lives (a most conservative figure) lost in each disaster, the Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio and Illinois rivers in fifty-five years furnished graves for ten thousand people.—"Everybody's Magazine.

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE.

The entire Demoerat force are grateful to Mrs. J. L. Todd who kindly remembered it with a delicious cake gift. Mrs. Todd is one of the finest culinary artists in this section and she is never happier than when making others happy. She is noted for generosity and for such attention the Courier force, editor and all extends sincere thanks.

If McKinney could once fully realize the proportions of The Texas Presbyterian University, there would be no further doubt about our getting its location. McKinney has the means to capture it if her citizens will exert a united effort and do it quickly.

An address has just been issued by a special committee recommending that $500,000 worth of bonds be voted on Dallas county citizens to improve their public roads.

At the time of the Revolution all farm laborers wore leathern aprons, similar to those now worn by blacksmiths.

Col. C. Copenhaver, of Pilot Point, a pioneer of that section, died on Christmas day of pneumonia.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

"Theodore Roosevelt as a man is greater than the Government he represents. While the Government of the United States was unable to restore peace in the anthracite region, Roosevelt, not as Presideut, but as a man suggested a rational way to settle the trouble. The man triumphed and the problem was solved."

Thus spoke Samuel M. (Golden Rule) Jones, mayor of Toledo, O. before the Chicago Peace Society recently. He sought to show that force of arms was futile, that war was inexcusable and that killing in battle was murder.

Mayor Jones declared, however, that he was an optimist and in spite of recent wars he said the world was better than it was 100 years ago and was continually impaoving. That brought him to the late coal strike in Pennsylvania and caused the reference to the President.

Mayor Jones criticized Major General Young, who at a banquet in Cleveland on Saturday night, spoke of the necessity of force to maintain the supremacy of the nation's commerce.

"No one will accuse me of being unpatriotic," said Mr. Jones, "but I would not raise a boy to go into the army or the navy to support commerce of this kind."

Several days ago Mayor Scoffern of Chickasha, I. T., issued an order that all gambling houses must close and gamblers and sporting fraternity leave the city by Jan. 1. The gamblers generally expected to obey the order, but Wednesday afternoon a free-for-all row occurred at a local saloon, which precipitated a crisis. U. S. Marshal Madsen and Commissioner Payne, assisted by city officials, raided the place, broke up over $1,200 worth of gambling paraphernalia, piled it in the middle of the main business street and burned it. One wheel of fortune, valued at $500, was destroyed. The rest of the houses are closed, as Marshal Madsen has given warning that the raids will continue.

A Kansas man sent the following testimonial to a patent medicine company: Dear sir:—My wife took a bottle of your medicine and died. I am now married again, please send me another bottle."

The coal miners of the United States are going to demand a raise in wages. The matter will be discussed at their national meeting which will convene in Indianapolis Jan. 19.

Among the farmers of Cuba and Porto Rico the wooden plow, formed of a natural crooked stick found in the woods, is still in common use.

In Porto Rico in 1898, with one million population, there was not a single power mill for grinding grain. The work was all done in hand mills.

I have opened my shop the second door north of Joe McKinney. When your watch or clock needs fixing bring or send it to me. All work guaranteed twelve months. I mean that if I can't make my work do what I say it will, that I will pay your money back.

1md tfinw. R. J. Benson.

His Services Appreciated.

On Christmas Eve Vernon O. Marshall was presented with a fine gold chain and charm, by the official board of the Christian church. It was a token of the members appreciation of his services as leader of the choir. Mr. Marshall is a musical director of rare ability.

Hair Falls

"I tried Ayer's Hair Vigor to stop my hair from falling. One-half a bottle cured me."
J. C. Baxter, Braidwood, Ill.

Ayer's Hair Vigor is certainly the most economical preparation of its kind on the market. A little of it goes a long way. It doesn't take much of it to stop falling of the hair, make the hair grow, and restore color to gray hair. $1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

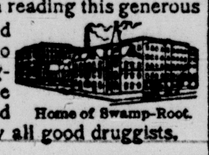
Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.



It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's **Swamp-Root** is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.



Home of Swamp-Root.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Jack Roberts died Thursday morning from tuberculosis at 7:35 o'clock at the home of his daughter Mrs. J. W. Jones on South Chestnut Street.

Mr. Roberts had been sick for a long while at his home at Foncine. He and his wife and daughter came to McKinney about three weeks ago hoping that the change would benefit him, but he gradually grew worse.

He was about fifty years of age and leaves a wife and several children. His son-in-law at whose house he died is an employe of the Palace barber shop of this city.

The funeral took place today at 12 o'clock. The interment was made at Mt. Olive Cemetery 4 miles south west of McKinney. The Democrat extends condolence to the bereaved family.

Mrs. E. M. Brooks, aged 67, died at her home, Friday morning, Dec. 26, at the home of her daughter Mrs. Mort Love living on Bill Stiff's place a few miles southeast of McKinney. Paralysis of several months' standing caused her death.

The deceased was a faithful member of the Baptist church. Her husband, who was well known in McKinney, died about two years ago.

The following children survive: Mrs. Eliza Love, of North Carolina; Dan Brooks, of Montague county; Mrs. Jane Love, of Biggers, at whose home she died; Hamp and Henry Brooks, and a single daughter, Miss Mary, all living in the Milligan community.

The burial took place at 5 o'clock, the same day of her death, at Wilson Chapel. Eld. Abe Enloe conducted the funeral services at the grave.

Mrs. Olie Averitt, wife of John Averitt, who resides three and a half miles north-east of town, died Friday night at 8:30 o'clock from tuberculosis. She was forty years old, and leaves a husband and ten children. Three are dead. She was born in Tennessee in 1862. Her maiden name was Ramsey. She was a member of the Christian church, and was buried Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock, in Orendorff cemetery, with the ceremony of that denomination. The many friends of the family deeply sympathize with them in their bereavement.

Mrs. Johanna Soderholm, of Fergus Falls, Minn., fell and dislocated her shoulder. She had a surgeon get it back in place as soon as possiable, but it was quite sore and pained her very much. Her son mentioned that he had seen Chamberlain's Pain Balm advertised for sprains and soreness, and she asked him to buy her a bottle of it, which he did. It quickly relieved her and enabled her to sleep which she had not done for several days. The son was so much pleased with the relief it gave his mother that he has since recommended it to many others. For sale by City Drug Store.

Mrs. Izabel Ingalls, who has been a guest of Mrs. Will Hill, returned to her home in Waco Monday.

John Gilbert, of Brazos, Palo Pinto county, is visiting the family of T. B. Bearden and other relatives here.

BOOKS

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LOCAL NEWS.

Tobe McDonald, Weston, will continue to read our weekly.

Miss Kate Scott, little daughter of Mrs. Hattie Scott, is visiting in Melissa.

W. F. Brown, who helps our big list at Weston, has thanks for renewal.

R J. Phillips, one of Weston's most progressive farmers, runs his figures well up in 1904.

P. M. Mugg, a substantial farmer of Weston, renews for the "Old Reliable."

Walter B. Wilson and wife spent Christmas with relatives near Ardath.

John D. Douglass of Ennis spent a portion of the holidays with McKinney friends.

W. G. Monroe and daughters Misses Lizzie and Ethel of Biggers gave us a pleasant call Friday.

Miss Josie Smith, of Forney, is in the city visiting her brother Arthur E. Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stedman, of Marshall, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Carpenter.

Clay Mack Jr., of the Van Alstyne Leader, is visiting home folks in this city.

T. C. Lair, of Melissa, moves his figures to the latter part of 1903.

J. A. Dupond, of Celina, has our thanks for cash on subscription.

Miss Auburn Wood of Honey Grove is visiting the family of Dr. S. H. Abbott.

Miss Estelle Lansdale who is teaching at Wetsel is spending the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moore and little daughter Mary came up from Dallas to visit relatives.

M. T. Jones left Thursday for a visit to his brother in Southern Texas.

Mrs. John Bristol went to Sherman Friday to spend a few days with relatives.

A. E. Daw left Friday morning for Pecos City for a few days visit.

Mrs. R. L. Fowler of Corinth, Denton county, is in the city visiting her sister Mrs. R. L. Ray.

Mrs. Robert McElhannon of Bates, Denton county, is visiting her sister Mrs. Sam Sealey.

Mrs. J. C. Greer of Princeton is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mayes.

Miss Maggie Oakley and sister, of Branch, honored our office with a pleasant visit.

J. D. Brock, of Cairo, I. T., is visiting his sister Mrs T. B. Bearden here.

Attorney Charles A. Leddy, of Greenville, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. O. Leddy.

Mrs. Inez Hatch, of DeKalb, is visiting her uncle Judge T. C. Goodner and family.

Mrs. John Moore, of Dallas who has been in the city the guest of S. J. B. Plemmons and family, has returned home.

John E. Burrage, book-keeper for the Sun Milling Co., of Shreveport, La., is visiting relatives in the city.

S. McCoy, on our Weston list, renews for our weekly and orders Semi-Weekly News at our clubbing rate.

G. W. Williams and S. Miller, two good men of Weston, will keep posted another year by reading our popular weekly.

Prof. and Mrs. Franklin G. Jones are visiting the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. Leslie W. Bush in Allen.

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And see if your Kidneys are Diseased.

A very simple way to determine whether your kidneys or bladder are diseased is to put some of your urine in a glass tumbler and let it stand 24 hours; if it has a sediment or a cloudy, ropy or stringy appearance, if it is pale or discolored, you do not need a physician to tell you that you are in a dangerous condition. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy speedily cures such serious symptoms as pain in back, inability to hold urine, a burning scalding pain in passing it. Frequent desire to urinate, especially at night, and the staining of linen by your urine.

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Mrs. Harriett Thompson and daughter Lena of Fairfield are spending Christmas with relatives near Roland.

Chas. Huff, of Burns, Cook county, sends for The Democrat to keep him posted on county affairs here.

Avner E. Buck, who is spending the winter training his horses at Dallas, came up to visit home folks during the holidays.

Hon. C. L. Garnett of Paris is spending the holidays here the guest of Judge and Mrs. M. H. Garnett.

Benge Quesenberry returned to Dallas last evening, after spending Christmas at home. He is studying telegraphy there.

Miss Edna Collier, teacher at Union Valley is spending the holidays with the home folks.-Greenville Banner.

Gus. Wilson of Roland was in McKinney Christmas day. He is fast recuperating from his recent illness.

Little Florence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Lucas, who has been sick for about sixteen days with fever, is improving.

George Murphy of Sherman spent Christmas day with his wife who is here visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cox.

Prickly Ash Bitters cures the kidneys, regulates the liver and purifies the bowels. A valuable system tonic.

Mrs. M. L. Dyson and daughter Miss Sallie are visiting the formers brother J. S. Lansdale and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Melton of Lancaster are in the city visiting the formers parents Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Melton.

Irregular bowel movement lead to chronic constipation. Prickly Ash Bitters is a reliable system regulator; cures permanently.

Miss Alta Harris has returned to her school at Lone Star near Weston, after spending Christmas with her father, Prof. Z. A. C. Harris and family in this city.

Oscar E. Williams who has been spending the holidays with his mother at New Hope returned Sunday to Fate near Wylie, where he is teaching school.

ACHING KIDNEYS

Urinary troubles, Palpitation of the heart, Constipation and stomach disorders, yield at once to

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Edgar Johnson, who is in the employ of the Wichita Falls Mill and Elevator Co., is at home for a few days' visit to his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Johnson.

Mrs. Joe B. Rogers and daughter Miss Pauline left Friday afternoon for Sherman to visit the former's brother Buck Shrader and family.

Charlie Parker one of the proprietors of the Sherman Register accompanied by his brother-in-law Walter Fahm of Dallas gave the Democrat office a pleasant call yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Moore of Rockwall were the guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. L. C. Clifton and family during the holidays. Mr. Moore was formerly a resident of this city.

The long continued rains have caused "wet weather" springs to start and several places in the roads are almost impassable on this account. Some of these places are in McKinney.

James H. Mitchell and sister Miss Willie Mitchell will arrived Friday eve to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. T. M. McDaniel. Mr. Mitchell is one of the firm of the Spear Hardware Co. of Fort Smith, Ark.

Friday Wre Barnett received from a cousin in Oregon a genuine gold nugget which had been attached to a scarf pin, for a Christmas present. It was found by another cousin, who is a miner, eighty miles north of the Arctic circle.

On Dec. 23, 1902, W. J. Burton, of New Life, renewed his subscription to the Democrat and took the Dallas News at our clubbing rate. Last evening just one year to a day he returned and renewed for both papers. We value such friends.

Mrs. J. W. Weaver of New Boston, Miss Eva Lou Branch of Abilene, Mrs. Mattie Bennett and son Ed of Dallas, and Mrs. Bent Whisenant of Allen are visiting at the home of J. J. Thompson and other relatives in the city.

Christmas the Second Baptist church forwarded a box of clothing and groceries valued at $25, and $18.20 in money to Buckner's Orphans' Home at Dallas. It was indeed a very liberal donation from this church.

Christmas trees were held on Christmas eve night at the following churches: First Baptist, Sec'd Baptist, Cumberland Presbyterian, Episcopal, Christian, Methodist. They were all heavily laden with presents and splendid programs rendered. The hearts of the children were all made glad.

A system regulator is a medicine that strengthens and stimulates the liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels. Prickly Ash Bitters is a superior system regulator. It drives out all unhealthy conditions, promotes activity of body and brain, restores good appetite, sound sleep and cheerful spirits.

Mr. and Mrs. Collie Bear left Monday for Lawton, O. T. where they will spend a month. Mr. Bear will locate an ice plant either there, or in a near by town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Forsythe and the latter's mother Mrs. Burns, of Wylie, are visiting the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Forsythe.

Sam H. Foster, former Collin citizen but now a prominent real estate dealer at Tioga, was a business visitor in McKinney Monday.

We received a pleasant call from W. H. Slater, of White's Grove. He was accompanied by his little daughter Luella.

Sam Neathery, of Farmersville, now a law student in the State University, visited his brother here and left Monday for Austin.

James A. Leddy and little daughter Francis, of Dallas, are visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. O. Leddy.

Mrs. E. J. Parker and children of Sherman are visiting her husband's parents Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Parker.

Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Ennis, who has been in the city the guest of Mrs. H. E. G. Furr, returned home.

Miss Wilhelmina Persohn returned to Denton last Monday where she is attending school.

Miss Francis Mayhew of Sherman is in the city a guest at the home of E. W. Kirkpatrick.

Mrs. R. Neathery, of Farmersville, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Melton.

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CALLED PASTOR AT ANNA.

Rev. Lovelace of Kerns Called by Baptist Congregation.

Rev. M. F. Wheeler returned Monday from Anna where he preached and held conference Sunday at the Baptist church. Rev. Lovelace of Kerns was called as pastor to devote all of his time to that church.

Child's Death

Alvie Antha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pet Hall who live about twelve miles southeast of McKinney near Branch, died on the 23rd instant.

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Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. Cure a cold in one day No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents

Misses Helen Buck and Lucy Elliott and Mrs. Tom Forbes returned Sunday to their home in Sherman after spending the holidays in this city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bowlby.

Miss Ella Felton, who came up from Dallas to spend the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Felton, returned Monday to resume her studies in music.

Mrs. T. J. Smith, who has been visiting her son J. Frank Smith and wife, returned Monday to her home at Mumford, Robertson county.

Arthur Melton and wife have returned to their home in Lancaster after a visit to the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Melton.

Vestor Gordon, who is employed in a large marble yard in Dallas, is at home for a few days visit to his mother Mrs. A. E. Gordon.

Mrs. A. E. McMurray, who has been with her sons in Dallas, has arrived to spend some time with her daughter Mrs. W. E. Rucker.

Mrs. Rosa Englemen, of Stamford, Mrs. M. J. Bennett and Mrs L. A. Stegar, Ed Bennett and Tom Stegar, of Dallas, attended the funeral of their nephew and cousin Allen Gatewood.

T. C. Oakley and brother R. F. Oakley, of Branch, gave us a pleasant call today.

Good Health

and pure blood are inseparable. If your blood is bad, your health must suffer. Poor blood allows the body to lose vitality just as a poor fire under the boiler allows the steam to run down. From poor blood to impure blood is but a step, and impure blood is mother to a large percentage of human ills. Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic is an antidote for both poor and impure blood, for it is both a builder and purifier—a food and a medicine. It is the best combination of the kind known to medical science, and its success for nearly half a century has led to its endorsement by thousands of medical men who have been unable to find a substitute.

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will insure you against the many evils resulting from impure blood. Scrofula, pimples, blotches, kidney disorders, rheumatism, gout, dyspepsia, female weakness, anæmia, chlorosis, etc., are a few of them; but the greatest evil, the greatest danger, is the general weakening of the whole system, which affords an opening for every passing disease.

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WEDDING BELLS.

Mr. Joseph Bradshaw and Miss Edna Moreman of, Plano, were marrried last Tuesday 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. E. E. King of this city officiating. The house was beautifully decorated, and a large gathering of friends and relatives witnessed the ceremony. The groom is a grocery merchant of Plano.

T. A. Van Huss and Mrs. Stella Bible, both of Collin county were united in marriage yesterday evening at the Frisco hotel at 9 o'clock by Rev. P. C. Archer, pastor of the Travis Street Methodist church. The newly wedded pair left immediately after the ceremony for their home in Collin county.—Sherman Register.

Rev. Abe Enloe gave us a pleasant call. He reports quite a nice crop of holiday marriages. Three of these marriages he officiated at. They are as follows: W. L. Renfro and Miss Theresa M. Lepeard married at the home of the bride at Culleoka Christmas day at 6 p. m. An elegant supper was served which Mr. Enloe says he enjoyed very much.

John Klepper and Miss Laura A. Moore at the home of the bride in the Bishop community Dec. 24.

C. F. Decker and Miss O. L. Hardin at the home of the bride in the Bishop community on Dec. 24.

We wish for these couples a future bright, prosperous and full of joy.

J. W. Talkington and Miss Emma Talkington both of near Celina were married in Justice Andrews office here Monday.

It will be of interest to the many frends of Miss Blanche Morten to learn that she was happily married Monday at 10 o'clock at her home in Dallas to Mr. O. A. Alexander. They left on the noon train for a visit to Charleston Ill., the boyhood home of the groom. Miss Blanche was reared in McKinney and her friends are only limited by her acquaintance. The groom is a civil and bridge engineer, and represents the American Bridge Co., of New York, with headquarters at Dallas, and is a young man of fine business qualifications and sterling qualities.

The bride is the daughter of E. W. Morten, Jr., formerly of this city.

Twenty Queens.

The Twenty Queens were entertained their last meeting before the holidays by Mrs. Fred Emerson at her elegant home. The club colors, green and white, were carried out most effectively in the dainty refreshments and house decorations. The club prize, a silver vase, was won by our president, Mrs. Burnitt.

Guests for the afternoon were: Mesdames Cliff Emerson, J. H. Walton, W. H. Bertrand, Abbott of Cincinnati, Miss Shain, Miss Largent and Dr. Gerard Foote.

Eld. Eugene Holmes of Whitesboro who came over to spend the holidays with his wife who is visiting her parents Eld. and Mrs. R. C. Horn at Vineland and sisters Mesdames John Thomas and Ben Oates, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. McKey, of McKinney, who were married in that city Monday, the 22nd, were given a reception by Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Owens during their stay in Dallas, en route to Mississippi.—Dallas News.

C. E. Wells, who lived in Collin county for six years but who now resides at May, Idaho, sends for The Democrat to keep him posted on the Collin county news.

Mrs. E. S. Gullett, who has been here for two months visiting her daughter Mrs. L. W. Crouch and son W. C. Robinson, has returned to her home at Krum, Denton county.

Dr. Edwin L. Burton, wife and baby have gone to Bells, to visit the former's parents. Dr. Burton will proceed to St. Louis where he will remain until Feb'y. 1st, taking a special course in his profession.

Misses Maude and Dixie Umphreys of Van Alstyne returned home Monday after a visit to their sister Mrs. H. L. Davis. They were accompanied home by Master Don Davis.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. Is unequalled for the stomach. Children with weak stomachs thrive on it. First dose relieves. A quiet unnecessary.

Cures all stomach troubles

Prepared only by E. C. DeWITT & Co., Chicago The $1. bottle contains 2½ times the 50c size.

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Guilty in Local Option Cases

Denton, Tex., Dec. 25.—Babe Nicholson plead guilty to five cases of violating the local option law of this county and received a sentence of twenty days in jail and to pay a fine of $25 in each case as a Christmas present. Two more cases which were against him were dismissed.

The peculiar cough which indicates croup, is usually well known to the mother of croupy children. No time should be lost in the treatment of it, and for this purpose no medicine has received more universal approval than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Do not waste valuable time in experimenting with untried remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended, but give this medicine as directed and all symptoms of croup will quickly disappear. For sale by City Drug Store.

L. F. Allen, of Chambersville, gave us a pleasant call Monday to renew another year for The Democrat. He has been a constant subscriber ever since its first issue. At the close of his present subscription he will have read it for 20 years. We have quite a number of these old time friends on our list, of which we are proud. We hope to merit their continued patronage and trust the New Year will bring many blessings to them.

The Best Prescription For Malaria

Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form—no cure no pay. Price 50c.

Shipped Car Poultry

Sam Saltz, the poultry buyer, has shipped a car load of turkeys, geese and ducks to St. Louis.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Mary Rhea is sick.

Will G. C. Horn, of Rhea Mill, was in town Tuesday.

M. W Keen, of Prosper, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Jones went to Greenville Tuesday morning.

Chas. Emerson left Tuesday for Nashville Tenn.

Rev. Jerry Martin, of Rhea Mill, was in town Tuesday.

J. R. Gough made Dallas a business trip Tuesday.

City Recorder E. H. Bowlby is very sick at his home on South Benge street.

Miss Lizzie Burton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. D. Lowe, at Princeton.

Miss Maggie Leddy is visiting her brother, J. A. Leddy, and family in Dallas.

Wm. Hynds has returned to Durant I. T,, after spending a week or longer with his family.

O. A Brannon returned from Sherman Monday where he visited his parents.

Jim Wilcox left Tuesday for Baylor University at Waco where he is attending school.

Mrs. A. B. Pearce has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Mart Calhoun. in Sherman.

J. A. Garrison has gone to Millwood and Quinlan on business.

Little Misses Maggie Lou McBride and Lucille Boydstun went to Winnsboro Tuesday.

Thanks to M. M. Chandler of Weston, one of our valued readers, for renewal on subscription.

Miss Lesca Murphy, of Sherman, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cox.

Miss Lizzie Waddill has returned to school at Sherman after spending the holidays at home.

Our good friend John Martin, of Ardath, favors us with a renewal for The Democrat.

Miss Corrie Dulaney, who has been visiting in Dallas and Fort Worth, has returned home.

Dink Meador returned Tuesday from Sherman and Durant I. T.

Ed Runnion has gone to Sherman where he has accepted work with the Sherman Register.

Mrs. Joe Watts, of Denison, is in the city visiting at the home of her cousin, County Clerk W. M. Shirley.

Mrs. C. W. Goodin and little daughter Gladys went to Coalgate, I. T. Monday for a two weeks visit with relatives.

Miss Ida Ball returned to her school at Ladonia Monday, after spending the holidays here with home folks.

Miss Jimmie Stiff returned to her home in Denton Monday after a visit to Miss Pauline Hughes.

Mrs. E. Harris who has been visiting her son Tom Harris and family at Sherman has returned home.

J. D. Blanks, who has been employed in the Collin County shaving parlor, left yesterday for his home at Whitewright.

Mrs. George Murphy left Monday for her home at Sherman after a visit to her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cox.

Mrs. Malcolm Henry and daughter Miss Dana and Miss Hattie Horne have gone to Bonham for a visit.

T. L. Hughston and family, of Plano, are in the city visiting his brother in-law, Sheriff Tom Beverly and wife.

John Wilson has had another room added to his residence in East McKinney, and it nicely repainted.

The two large Waters-Pierce oil tanks east of the M. K & T. railroad have been elevated on a large brick foundation

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Allen and Mrs Bent Whisenant, of Allen, attended the funeral of Allen Gatewood Monday afternoon.

Miss Willie Hardie, of Greenville who has been visiting her sister Mrs. John A. Held, has returned home.

Norman Presley, of Waxahachie who has been in the city visiting friends for the past few days, returned home Tuesday morning.

Glass at City Drug Store.

Blank books at Abbott's.

Glass all sizes City Drug Store

Earnest Massey left this morning for Durant, I. T.

Latest novelties in jewelry at City Drug Store.

W. T. Beverly made Anna a business trip today.

Read the latest books during the holidays—Abbott has them.

Jesse Shain made Dallas a business trip today.

All January Magazine now at Abbott's.

Don't forget our Wall Paper sale is still on at City Drug Store

Miss Della Cable is visiting in Greenville.

New styles in Stationery just received at City Drug Store.

Jim Gates went to Dallas this morning.

L. C. Clifton made Farmersville a business trip today.

H. S. Jackson made Greenville a business trip today.

No. 1143 gets the chocolate set at Abbott's.

Miss Enid Byrne has returned from a visit to friends in Farmersville.

Lige Rudolph of the Van Alstyne News was a pleasant call at our office today.

Pictures, Pictures, Pictures, latest novelties in Pictures at City Drug Store.

Mrs, Anna Graves went to Melissa this morning to spend the day with friends.

Fine Perfumes for the Holidays Elegant packages. See them at City Drug Store.

Mrs. L. Nottingham left this morning for Murphy for a visit to relatives.

Diamonds, jewelry and watches new goods, latest designs at City Drug Store.

Mrs. Tom Harris, of Plano, is in the city visiting her parent. Mr and Mrs. Bud Newman.

Pictures framed in latest style, over 100 styles mould to select from at City Drug Store.

Mrs. Glenn Stiff arrived from Pilot Point last night, for a visit to relatives.

Miss Virgie Lane has returned from a visit to Mrs. Sam Morton of Dallas.

J. P. Moore, of the Nickel Store, will leave Thursday for Bruceton, Nev., his old home.

Complete line first class jewelry and watches direct from the factory just received at City Drug Store

See the swell stationery, "Cretonne Bond," Sea Island Fibre, Moire and many other new effects at City Drug Store.

The very latest, Blue Flower by Van Dyke, the Whirl-wind by Hagedorn and the Little White Bird by Barrie at Abbott's.

Miss Estelle Lansdale who spent the holidays at home has returned to Wetsel to resume her school,

The Prisoner of Zenda and In the Palace of King, also Eternal City in 75 cents edition at Abbott's.

Walter Brown returned to Tishomingo, I. T., this morning after a visit to homefolks near here.

Rodger Abernathy, who spent the holidays at home, left this afternoon for Austin, where he is attending the State University.

Miss Alva Mayes who spent the holidays at home, returned to Waxahachie last evening where she is a student in Trinity University.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Curtis entertained a few friends with progressive dominoes last night at their pretty home on North Kentucky street. Dainty refreshments were served at the close of the games.

Joe Burton, son of W. J. Burton of New Life, who is attending a commercial school at Paris, and Raymond Lowe, of Princeton who is attending the McKinney Commercial College, gave us a pleasant call.

Notice

Will sell 100 cords good wood at $1.25 per cord in bulk on the ground. 5 miles northwest McKinney.—Dr. Throckmorton d2t w1t.

Mesdames W. C. Burrus and Ed Wallace left Tuesday for a visit to relatives at Elam Station, Dallas county.

Mrs. Bob Stegar, of Dallas who has been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brooke, returned home Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Fannie Patrick, of Sulphur Springs, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. M. Wade, has returned home.

Mrs. R Neathery and little daughter Dorothy, who have been in the city, visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Melton, returned home Tuesday morning.

Mrs. F. G. Jones, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Bush, whom she had been visiting. came up from Allen Monday evening.

Mrs. Annie Board, who has been here for some time visiting her father, S. J. B. Plemmons, and sister, Mrs. J. H. Forbes, has returned to Gosnell, I. T.

J. P. Woodall, formerly of Rosebud this county, but now of Amarillo, subscribes for The Democrat in order to keep up with Collin county news.

Miss Pearl Bostwick, who is attending school at Hubbard City, accompanied by her cousin, Miss Baygents, is spending a few days at home.

John E. Burrage, who is with the Sun Milling Co., at Shreveport, La, has returned to his work after spending the holidays with his sisters, Misses Minnie and Virgie Burrage.

Mrs. Hayes returned to her home in Wylie Tuesday after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Oats, here. She was accompanied home by her sister, Miss Francis.

Will Bone, Cloyd Kerr and Will Talkington, of Walnut Grove, who came up from Waxahachie where they are attending Trinity University to spend the holidays, returned Monday eve.

Mrs. Presley Duncan, who has been in the city visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Smith, left Tuesday for Shreveport La. to join her husband who is now with the Sun Milling Co., of that city, as bookkeeper.

Douglass Shirley, Misses Pauline Shirley and Bessie Coffman, of Melissa, who have been spending the holidays at home, returned to Waco last evening to resume their studies at Texas Christian University.

Dow Baccus, a prominent Lebanon farmer, transacted business at the county metropolis. He reports his aged uncles, Godfrey and Benjamin Baccus, both to be in feeble health this winter.

J. J. Armstrong and lady returned to Denison Monday after spending a very pleasant Christmas with the latter's sisters, Mesdames M. A. Cameron, W. T. Beverly, E. A. Newsome and Mrs. T. E. Hargum.

Mr. Robert Allen, district attorney of the Sulphur Springs judicial district, accompanied by his aunt, Miss Bettie Harris, both of Sulphur Springs, arrived last evening for a visit to the latter's brother, Prof. Z A. C. Harris, and family.

There is some probability of the local telephone exchange at this place which is owned by J. P. Nenney, Dr. D. T. Pardue, and R. C. Hawley of Sulphur Springs, changing hands. The Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company, which is operating the office here under a lease, has purchased several other offices which they have been operating and may buy this one. The owners value their business at $12,000.

C. P. New Years Service.

A novel New Years entertainment is being planned for the Cumberland Presbyterian church on Friday evening.

Stock and Fixtures Shipped

Chas. Watkins has loaded the stock and fixtures of his Cafe and will ship same to Tishomingo, I. T., where he will open up business. We regret to see him leave McKinney, and wish him well.

Pecans Wanted

Hill & Webb will pay the highest market price for your pecans and give you the cash. tf

City Drug Store for glass.

I suffered thirty years with a complication of diseases. I lost all health and strength, and forty pounds in weight. Kodol has cured me. Under its use I have been restored to perfect health and strength and have regained my lost weight. I recommend Kodol to all suffering women.

MRS. MARY E. ROBERTS Woburn, Ill.

For several years I suffered constantly from indigestion and after using three or four so-called cures, I tried Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. Four bottles cured me and I am to-day sound and well. I always carry a bottle of Kodol with me, but have had no occasion to use same not having had a touch of indigestion in about two years. W. P. LAMBERT, Traveling Salesman for Kahn Bros., Louisville, Ky.



We Bring

A CURE FOR INDIGESTION

When it was discovered that Kodol digests all classes of food, its great value in the treatment of indigestion and the many disorders arising therefrom was instantly recognized. Previous to the discovery of Kodol it was impossible for even the most skilled physician to treat Dyspeptics with any degree of certainty as to the results, due to the fact that Pepsin and all digestants hitherto known, digest certain classes of food only, while Kodol digests them all.

Kodol represents the active principle of Pepsin, Pancreatin, Ptyalin, Trypsin and all the acids of digestion as they exist in a healthy stomach, happily combined with the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties. Kodol supplies the gastric glands with a healthy quantity of the digestive juices, thus relieving the inflamed stomach of all nervous strain while that organ takes a rest — recuperates.

In all cases of a weak stomach, indigestion, nervous Dyspepsia, palpitation of the heart, insomnia, general debility and all wasting diseases, no remedy will so surely and so quickly restore one to the full vigor of health and strength as

Kodol

KODOL Digests What You Eat.

Your Dealer Can Supply You.

Bottles only. Regular Size $1.00, holding 2½ times as much as the trial size which sells for 50 cents.

Prepared only by E. C. DeWITT & CO., Sole Proprietors, Chicago.

Mail Boxes Have Arrived

The fifteen mail boxes for free delivery have arrived and are being put up over the city today.

Court House Marriage

J. T. Sexton and Miss Nora Lewis were married in the county clerk's office Tuesday at 10 o'clock, Rev. W. P. Cloyd officiating.

A Splendid Test

The new fire hose recently purchased by the city, was tested Monday afternoon on the vacant lot just east of the New Century Hotel. A pressure of 280 pounds was turned on and not a leak could be discovered. The test was perfectly satisfactory,

Fresh Strawberries

A box of large, luscious strawberries was brought to this office Tuesday with the compliments of Price Stiff, the prince of good fellows and up-to date groceryman. They were as fresh as when plucked from the vines and of extra size and fine flavor. They were highly appreciated and enjoyed very much.

Pleasant Dining

A splendid seven course dinner was served Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Chambers, in honor of their niece Miss Florence Ware. Those present were:

Mrs Frank Myers of Bryan and Miss Ware.

Misses Jimmie Jenkins and Adelle Rhine.

Messrs Forest Boarl and Will Jerrisl.

Plead Guilty

Allen Rhine, the negro who was arrested in Denison by City Marshall Wallace Stitt, of this city, on a charge of peddling whisky here Christmas day, plead guilty in county court to violating local option law and was fined $25 and twenty days in jail.

Marriage License

L. D. Hobbs and Miss Lou Tucker.

J. T. Sexton and Miss Nora Lewis.

B. M. Wilkerson and Miss Cora England.

W. T. Kirkpatrick and Miss J. E. Smith.

W. H. Hinsley and Miss Lizzie Monroe.

A TEXAS WONDER,

Hall's Great Discovery for Kidney and Bladder Troubles.

One small bottle of Hall's great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles removes gravel, cures diabites, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $1.00, One small bottle is two months' treatment, and will cure any case above mentioned. Dr. E W. Hall, sole manufacturer, St Louis, Mo., formerly of Texas P. O. Box 629. Office 2931 Olive street. Sold by druggists and Smith Bros., & Co.

San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 24, 1901.

Dr. E, W, Hall, St. Louis: Dear Sir—Replying to your inquiry, will say your Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, has cured me of kidney and bladder trouble, and I can cheerfully recommend it. Yours truly,

OTTO LIMBURGER,
Proprietor Fulton Market,
Residence, 601 Buena Vista street.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Mrs. N. L. Nichols, wife of J. M. Nichols who lives at Frisco died Saturday from tuberculosis and was buried at Rowlett cemetery Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

She was a most estimable lady thirty-six years of age and leaves four small children.

Sam Lewis, aged thirty-five years, died Sunday at the home of Dr. C. T. Lewis near Vineland and was buried at Franklin cemetery yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

He was a stranger in the community.

Mrs J. P. Woodall died at Amarillo December 25th and was interred at Cross Roads cemetery on Saturday December 27th. A husband and six children survive her. Of the children, three are boys and three are girls. The oldest is a boy 19 years old and youngest is a girl.

The husband was in Monday on his way back to Amarillo where his children are. The husband and the deceased wife were both members of the Home Relief Association of this city.

A check for $620 was promptly paid the husband Monday by the officials of said association This is the first death claim since the association was organized about one year ago.

Miss Nellie Rogers of Sherman arrived in the city this morning for a visit to relatives near here.

E W Grove

This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day

NEW YEAR'S AND BUSINESS GREETING

Today we begin a new year 1903. With the passing of the old year and the advent of the new, we desire to return our most appreciative thanks to the people of McKinney and Collin county in general, for their very liberal patronage during the old year now past, and kindly solicit the same for 1903, promising you the same courteous treatment, and goods at as reasonable prices as can b found in any establishment in North Texas.

We announced to retire from business but owing to matters over which we had no control and at the strong solicitations from our thousands of customers in the city and county, we will continue at the same old stand during 1903, and shall redouble our efforts and energies to please all who may trade with us. We will be in a better position to serve you this new year than ever before. Besides our able manager and buyer, Mr T. F. Everett, who has been with us since opening business here continues with us. He will be assisted by Mr. T. C. Perry, well and favorably known to the people of McKinney and Collin county as a high-toned christian gentleman and first-class business man and formerly of the well-known firm of Murphy, Perry & Co. of this city. Mr. Perry has had many years experience, knows the wishes and wants of the dry-goods-buying-public of this section and we deem ourselves indeed fortunate in securing his able services for 1903. We solicit your business during 1903 because we know we are in a much better position to serve your every need and want. Wishing for the entire populace of McKinney and Collin county the compliments of the new year and inviting you to call, we are,

RESPECTFULLY,

White Dry-Goods Company.

Collin County Gleanings.

Items From Adjacent Towns, Villages and Communities of a General Interest.

VALDASTA

Valdasta, Dec. 26.—As there are no items from this place I will try a few lines and see if the waste basket gets this, if not will come again.

Santa Claus has been here well loaded with presents for the little folks and was welcomed by many hearts.

The Sunday school Christmas tree was loaded from top to bottom with many beautiful presents for N H Carson beat them all as he received a fine blooded Plymouth Rock rooster.

Prof. Sutherland received a nice $12.50 pair of pants for which he is very thankful to the giver.

L. H. Granny also received a nice present from off the Christmas tree. It was a nice 17lb. yellow pumpkin.

Mrs. J Wm Combest is still on the sick list this week.

Dr Bridgefarmer has been very busy during the past two months along the line of his profession and he reports the health of this community improving at present.

T A Brown happened to a very painful accident a few days ago. While splitting wood his foot slipped and he fell and cut his hand very badly.

Miss Ida Moore is on the sick list this week with the grip.

Misses Mattie and Pearl Hitchcock, of Stiff Chapel, were at the Christmas tree at this place.

Bob Alexander, while shooting roman candles, was severely if not seriously, burned in the face.

Rev Kelsey Justus will preach at the church the first Sunday in January, 1903. Everybody is invited out to hear him for he is an able speaker. He will also give a lecture to the Sunday school children at 3 p. m.

Sam Hendricks is all smiles—It's a big boy.

J T Hartley will move to Chamberss in a few days to go to work on his farm.

Tessa.

FOOT

Foot, Tex., Dec. 28.—If the dry weather continues the farmers will soon have all their scrap cotton picked.

L. L. Hand is up after a short illness.

Mrs Cal Turner has returned to her home near Princeton after a short stay with her daughter Mrs J W Rutledge.

T H Adams will leave Tuesday for Montague county where he will canvass for the Stark nursery.

Jerry Rains will move east of McKinney tomorrow. A Mr. Cunningham of West Collin will move where Mr. Rains now lives.

There is strong talk of a new school house being built at this place in the near future.

Joe Crutcher gave the young people a candy drawing last Friday night which was enjoyed by all present. Jerry Rains gave them a nice social last night.

Mr and Mrs Page have moved into our midst to make their home.

Several of the community gave nice dinners during Christmas to their friends.

Prof. Burkett treated all of his school to a nice lot of candy Christmas eve.

Centra'.

ARDATH

Ardath, Dec. 29.—Prof O E Williams was in our community last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Ed Bomar and family, Al Bomar and family and Ben Bomar of McKinney, and Mr and Mrs Arnold Wright of Farmersville, visited Mr and Mrs Bill Bomar Christmas.

W B Wilson and lady visited relatives here Christmas day.

George Milligan of McKinney was in our midst Sunday.

Born to Mr and Mrs Tom Huddleston on the 23rd inst a baby girl.

Mrs Lawrence Terrell is sick at this writing.

Asbury Akin has moved from Culleoka to the Houston home.

We welcome Mr and Mrs Akin into our midst.

Tickey.

On The Wing

Nobility, Dec. 29th.—Christmas with its cheer, good fellowship and crispy weather has come and gone. To some it was a day of pleasure mingled with gayety while to others, perhaps, one of disappointment and gloom. As for myself I enjoyed the festive occasion immensely but the viands were too rich and I have been indisposed ever since.

Since the rain clouds have vanished the sun shines brightly and with his gentle beams dispelled the darkness that hung like a pall over our beloved Texas and hope like a rainbow of promise, inspires us with new impulses and anchors our ambitions to higher aims and aspirations.

While we have awakened to new life, the roads seem to bid defiance to travel. Collin county can boast of good roads and we have them, but my! just think of getting "fixed" in a mud hole. Some places are impassable but the people have been confined so long that business must be attended to and how to get about has become a serious problem Weston has solved the first one and the solution is easy and its utility thoroughly demonstrated. The overseer on one of the roads leading to the town summoned the hands out with several teams and filled all "chug-holes" with sorghum cane and straw. Now that road is in fine condition and other roads can be gotten in shape by the same method.

1903 is almost here and I am now where I was in the beginning of the present year—on the single list. May the fair sex have mercy on me

Happy New Year to all and if you want anything seek through the columns of The Weekly Democrat and Daily Courier.

D. W. Leigh.

LUCAS

Lucas, Dec. 28.—Health is very good in our community at present.

Christmas has come and gone It was real dull as the roads were so bad that old Santa couldn't make his rounds and the little ones were somewhat disappointed

The literary society was well attended at Blythe chapel Friday night and a nice program was rendered.

Prayer meeting was held at J H Bowman's Christmas night. There was a large crowd present.

Bessie Sneed gave a social to her friends Saturday night.

Elzy Morrow and wife visited her mother Mrs Pool at Blythe chapel during Christmas.

Rev D L Coale, the pastor of the Methodist church, preaches at Blythe chapel every second Sunday.

Rev T E Bowman and wife will leave in a short time for Prosper where he was sent as pastor of the Methodist church of that place.

Ella Morrow visited Mamie Pool Friday and Friday night.

Dr Morrow of Branch attended prayer meeting at J H Bowman's Christmas night.

Dallas Pharr and wife and Lee Cook and wife visited G M Marrion and wife Friday night.

Uncle Jim.

NEW LIFE

New Life, Dec. 29.—Christmas was spent very quietly here.

Mr Butler has returned from a prospecting trip to Gage and other portions of the Territory. He anticipates moving there in the near future.

After spending a week with home folks at Graybill, Miss Laura Read began school again this morning.

Mike Gausnell who is attending school at Westminster visited home folks here last week.

John Turner and family of Verona visited Chas King Sunday.

R J Raburn is on the sick list.

There was a singing at Mr Greene's Saturday night

A happy and prosperous New Year to the editors and many readers of the Democrat.

Evangeline.

M'DONALD

McDonald, Dec. 29.—Mr Orman has gone to Kansas to spend the holidays.

E L Roberts and Rice Orman arrived at Tulsa Dec 26th.

Mesdames Nonnie Roberts and Virgie Orman left Saturday for Tulsa to make their future home.

John Neal of Plano was a guest of Gene Parker's Saturday night.

Quite a number of dances in this community during the holidays.

Willie and Emmett Parker arrived at Minco Dec 23. They lost a horse on the way.

The school has suspended until next week.

VERONA

Verona, Dec. 29.—A great many of our people are hauling cotton to town today.

Mr King, of Arkansas, is visiting his brothers at this place.

W O Carey has returned from New Mexico where he has been prospecting.

Elmer and James McMurray spent Christmas with relatives in Dallas.

Ed Carey and Joe Burton who have been attending school at Paris, and S S Stroup and Miss Effie St Clair of Grayson College, spent the holidays with home folks.

James Womble and James Herrell are in the west for several weeks stay.

Charles Samuels of Bishop was in our community Friday.

George Hanna and wife and Mrs Homer went to Ellis county recently on business.

Profs E T Hale of Fate, W T Turner of Copeville and W Z Bates of Millwood were in Verona a few days last week.

The Sunday school elected the following officers Sunday:

Assistant Superintendent W J Burton.

Secretary Lonnie Stroup.

Teachers, W D Samples, Fletcher Anderson, Ida King and Albert Stroup.

Bert McPherson and family and Mark Bailey left last week for Oklanoma where they will reside for the future.

Mr and Mrs Will Brown are in the community with relatives.

Eva.

CLIMAX

Climax, Dec. 29.—Mrs Shorter of Sherman is spending Christmas with relatives here.

Mr Ham and family left for the Territory Christmas day where they will make their future home.

Mr Bud Box will leave this week.

"Grandma" Caldwell is reported sick.

The young people enjoyed a social at the home of B D Fagala last Friday evening.

Miss Lillie Clark spent Christmas with relatives in the Liberty community and was accompanied by Mrs E C Forbes.

"Uncle Joe" Norman, of Farmersville, took Christmas dinner with his son J L Norman here.

Hazel Eyes.

The crowned heads of every nation,
The rich men, poor men and misers
All join in paying tribute to DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

H. Williams, San Antonio, Tex., writes: Little Early Riser Pills are the best I ever used in my family. I unhesitatingly recommend them to everybody. They cure Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Torpid Liver, Jaundice, malaria and all other liver troubles. For sale by City Drug Store.

A SPLENDID DINING

Given at Home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Beverly. Guests.

An elegant dining was served to a number of relatives and friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Beverly Saturday. The dinner was served in six courses.

Those present were:

Mr and Mrs F M Warden.

Mr and Mrs T F Mangum.

Mr and Mrs W H Sims.

Mr and Mrs Henry Warden.

Mr and Mrs Armstrong of Denison.

Mrs M A Cameron.

Mrs E A Newsome and guest Miss Lantrip, of Gainesville.

Messrs Johnny and Ben Warden and Miss Goldie Warden

PHOTOGRAPHS OF SAILORS

Splendid Likenesses of Herbert Graham and Kent Jones

Tax Assessor Sam Graham has received a splendid photograph of his son Herbert and Kent Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jones, who are in the United States naval training school at San Francisco. The picture was taken in their sailor uniforms, and the boys make quite a fine appearance.

Entertained in Honor of Guest.

Misses Cecil and Clare Abernathy entertained Saturday afternoon at the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Abernathy in honor of their visiting friend Miss Deason of Dallas.

Many guests were present.

The chief entertainment of the afternoon was a game of whist. Delightful refreshments were served.

These leaving cards were:

Drs. Metz, Foote and Taylor; Messrs. Terry of St. Louis, Hugh McDonald, Dudley Perkins and W. S. Terrell; Misses Mary McDonald, Fannie Allen, Maude Allen, Maude Humphress of Van Alstyne, Adele Rhine of Paris, Maggie Shain, Florence Ware, Stanley Quesenbury, Mac Marshall, Eula Abernathy, Mary Rhea, Jessie Stiff, Margie Lovejoy, Clare Dowell, Frankie Oates, Donnie Abernathy, Cassie Seay, Cassie Nenney, Annie Hill, Velma Scott, Willie Mae Scott, ——— Markham of Huntsville, Edith Allen, Etta O'Neal, Betsy Wiley, Cordie Largent, Lucy Largent, Rosabel Hynds and Margie Muse of Sherman; Mesdames Cebe Houston, Arthur Anderson, Fred Emerson, —— Thompson of Fort Worth and Robt. Warwick.

How's This.?

We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure,

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props.

Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by the firm.

West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O., Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

B Y P U Elect Officers.

The election of officers of the B. Y. P. U. for 1903 occurred Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist church. The following is the result of the election:

Byron Bowers, president.

Miss Sadie Dowell, vice president.

Geo. Fulbright, secretary.

Miss Mazie Webb, treasurer.

Mrs. L. J. Truett, organist.

There was a good attendance and much zeal manifested. The B. Y. P. U. will start into the new year well equipped for work.

Taz Calton, of Branch, gave us a call to renew the subscription of The Democrat for his mother, Mrs. R. J. Calton, for another year. He brought in his brother George, who was on his return home to McGee I. T., after spending Christmas with his mother at Branch. His sister, Miss Mollie Calton, accompanied him home.

Misses Felicia and Marion Harrison and Carrie Neyland, of Greenville, are visiting Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Cloyd. The two first mentioned are nieces of Mrs.

CHRISTMAS ECHOES

Reports of a Number of Enjoyable Dinings, Entertainings &c

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy gave an elegant Christmas dining in honor of Mrs. Frank Welch, of Taylor, and Mrs. C. N. Abbott of Cincinnati. Covers were laid for twelve. The table was beautifully decorated with smilax and holly.

Another pleasant dining was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Warden. Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Beverly.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Mangum.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sims.

Mr. and Mrs. Wms. Warden.

Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong of Denison.

Mrs. E. A. Newsome and guest Miss Lantrip of Gainesville.

Mrs. M. F. Brackney of Sherman and Mrs. M. A. Cameron.

The handsome home of Mrs. T. H. Emerson was the scene of a brilliant social event on Christmas eve, the occasion being a six o'clock dinner, tendered by her charming daughter, Miss Marie, to quite a number of her friends. This always pretty home was made more beautiful by the pretty decorations, carried out in the Christmas colors, green and red. Holly, smilax and mistletoe were tastily arranged throughout the house.

Covers were laid for ten and the elegant dinner was served in six courses. Those present were:

Miss Willie Goosetree and Ed Rhea.

Miss Dana Henry and Wallace Emerson.

Miss Irma Clifton and Robert Goosetree.

Miss Margie Lovejoy and Dr. Hoard.

Miss Marie Emerson and Ott Stiff.

FROM OVER THE COUNTY.

LEBANON

Lebanon, Dec. 23—Thomas Covington who is attending school at Grayson College came home Saturday to spend the holidays with home folks.

Mr and Mrs Texas Locknane entertained the young people Saturday night.

Rev J M Hunt and Mr Jones were in Plano one day last week.

Miss Eunice Baumgardner who attends school at Grayson College came home Friday to spend Christmas.

Mr and Mrs J W Scruggs gave the young people a singing Sunday night as there were no services at the church.

Sam Bruce came up from Waco Sunday to spend Christmas with home folks.

Mrs A F Quisenberry attended the McKey-McWilliams nuptials at McKinney Monday evening.

Miss Nellie Faught is spending the holidays with her grand parents Mr and Mrs Wiggins.

C T Cobb came over Monday from Faulkner, where he teaches, for a visit.

Prof Mister and wife, of Polytechnic College, Fort Worth, visited her parents Mr and Mrs M L Huffman Saturday and Sunday.

C E Farmer is spending this week with his parents at Denton.

Mr and Mrs L H Green visited his parents at Rockwall last week.

Miss Ottie Dunaway is sick.

James Dunaway made a business trip to McKinney.

Grandma Tompson who has been seriously ill is some better.

Otha Acree has returned to his home in Kentucky and has writ- friends that doctors say he can not live 'till Christmas.

Don't Worry.

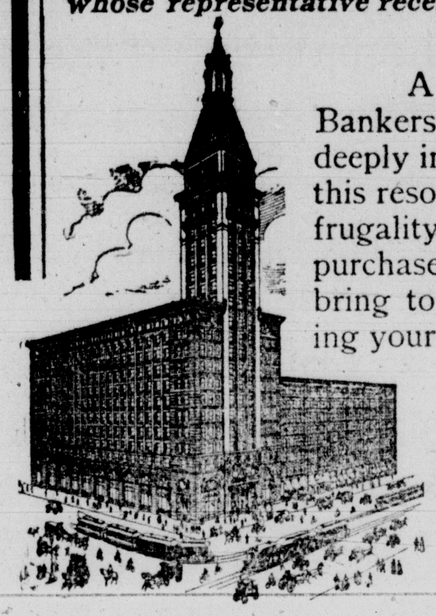
This is easier said than done, yet it may be of some help to consider the matter. If the cause is something over which you have no control it is obvious that worrying will not help the matter in the least. On the other hand, if within your control you have only to act. When you have a cold and fear an attack of pneumonia, buy a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and use it judiciously and all cause for worry as to the outcome will quickly disappear. There is no danger of pneumonia when it is used. For sale by City Drug Store.

Eugene Rayburn returned from Carrolton, Ark. Monday morning, where he had been to see his mother who is sick. She is some-

GREETING to the SUNNY SOUTH

From MONTGOMERY WARD & CO., Chicago,

whose representative recently enjoyed Southern hospitality as a member of the Merchants', Manufacturers' and Bankers' Delegation of Chicago.



A member of our firm, having accompanied the Merchants', Manufacturers' and Bankers' Delegation of Chicago, on its recent tour through Southern States, returns deeply impressed with the wonderful activity, enterprise and prosperity of the people of this resourceful section of the country. He was especially pleased by the evidence of frugality and shrewdness displayed by the people in seeking the cheapest markets for the purchase of their household, farming and personal necessities, and at once decided to bring to your attention the unrivaled facilities of Montgomery Ward & Co., for supplying your needs with the best goods at lowest prices.

Nearly 31 years ago we began selling goods direct to the user, saving our customers the profits of the jobber, agent and dealer. Now we have more than 2,000,000 pleased and satisfied customers. Think of it! 67 out of every 100 orders we receive are shipped the same day received, and 97 out of every 100 within three days. We head the list of quick shippers, our facilities for quick handling of orders being unequaled.

Our Catalogue No. 71 has 1,100 pages and contains descriptions, pictures and wholesale prices direct to you on everything you eat, wear or use. You should have it. It will save you at least 20 cents on every dollar you are now spending. Write us for it. We send it free and only ask you to send 15 cents to pay part of the postage.

HERE ARE A FEW SPECIMENS OF OUR PRICES:

MEN'S SUITS, made-to-order, all wool materials; guaranteed quality, workmanship and fit, latest styles..... $11.00

KITCHEN TABLE, hard-wood, two drawers and two bins, holding 50 lbs. flour or sugar each, top 26x46 inches $2.95

BUGGY HARNESS, the best cheap harness on the market..... $4.25

SEWING MACHINE, latest drop-head style, strongly made, well finished in solid oak, guaranteed for 5 years, cheapest machine of equal grade anywhere offered..... $8.45

GLASSWARE SET, 33 pieces, consisting of one water pitcher, 12 glasses, 1 berry dish, 12 saucers, 1 bread plate, 1 sugar bowl, 1 butter dish, 1 cream pitcher, 1 spoon holder, 2 salt shakers, made of finely finished, pure crystal glassware, attractive pattern, good quality..... $1.33

DINNER SET, one hundred pieces, made of American semi-porcelain, pure ivory white, decorated with forget-me-not and fine fern design in myrtle green, greatest bargain ever offered..... $5.65

MORRIS CHAIR, made of golden oak or in mahogany finish, large, massive, heavy frame, carved and well finished, reversible cushions, covered with imported, figured velour plush, adjustable back, most comfortable and desirable reading chair on the market, usually sold by dealers at $8.00 to $10.00..... $4.

ORGAN, 5-octave, 10-stop, oak case, excellent tone, equal to $50.00 organs sold by dealers, guaranteed for 5 years. $26.75

COUCH, extra large and well made, containing best springs, upholstered with fancy velours and corduroy, trimmed with good grade of fringe..... $5.50

SHOT GUN, the New American side snap, pistol grip, plain blued barrels, nickel-plated mounting, rubber butt plate, using brass or paper shells..... $4.35
(we also carry shot guns in all prices, up to $250.00.)

REVOLVER, Young American double action, full nickel-plated, rubber handle, 32 caliber..... $1.50
(Also on up to $15.40.)

SMYRNA RUG, unsheared, 2½x5 ft., looks as well and wears as long as the regular Smyrna Rug..... $1.25

LAP ROBE, gray fur goat skin, 48x68 in., fancy plaid blanket lining of good weight, usually sold at $8 to $10..... $4.10

LACE CURTAINS, choice, elegant design, 48½ inches wide, 4 yards long, good wearing qualities..... $1.34

READING LAMP, brass bowl and stand, 1¾ inch wick, 10 inch plain white dome shade, never sold for less than $1.50 to $3.00..... $0.95

COFFEE, RIO, good value, roasted, per lb..... 0.12

FARM WAGON, 2 horse, full size double bed, thoroughly good in every way, complete..... $39.50

PLOW, Texas black land, steel beam, excellent quality, general purpose plow..... $8.70

HARROW, made of heavy wood frames, 48 ¾-inch, dagger point teeth, complete with draw-bar..... $3.80

CORN SHELLER, "Original Dandy", adjustable to large or small ears of corn, durable and satisfactory..... 0.70

CORN SHELLER, our famous "Victor," furnished with table and fan, large, heavy balance wheel, capacity 10 bushels per hour, big bargain..... $4.35

"DAISY" FEED MILL, for grinding ear corn or shelled grain, capacity 8 to 10 bushels per hour, good mill that will do its work well..... $13.98

AXE, double bit, good quality, 4 to 5 lbs. each, (without handles)..... $0.75

REFRIGERATORS, made of ash, with quarter-sawed oak panels, zinc lined, 28x17 inches, height 48 inches, holds 50 lbs. of ice..... $9.10

GASOLINE STOVE, 2-burner, lay-down tank, the finest of this class in the market..... $2.95

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ABE MULKEY IN CORSICANA

Invites the Boys to Join with Him in a Christmas Frolic

Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 25.—Abe Mulkey, the evangelist, had a high old time last night, which he will repeat tonight. In the afternoon he visited the various schools and invited the boys to meet him and join him in a Christmas frolic Something more than two hundred of the youngsters accepted the invitation, and, with the evangelist at their head, they paraded the streets for an hour, shouting, firing off firecrackers and fireworks, and having fun generally. After the parade the boys were taken to his house and filled with things most acceptable to the palates of the small boys.

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W. W. Thomason and Miss Allie Wester.

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Jim Miller and Miss Kate Horn

Would Move to McKinney

The Courier has just turned out some monthly school report cards for ex-County Supt. W. W. Shepherd, now principal of the Blue Ridge High School. Prof Shepherd says:

I trust the good people of McKinney and Collin county will do their best to get the University. If McKinney gets it. I think I'll move back there to educate my children.

New Bank for Royse, Texas.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The Controller of the Currency has authorized the First National Bank of Royse to begin business with a capital of $30.000. J. N. Miller is president and J. D. Miller is cashier of the new bank.

MRS. SALLY MITCHELL DEAD

She Was a Sister to the Late John M. Kincaid of This County

News has reached here of the death of Mrs. Sally Kincaid Mitchell which occurred at her home near Greenfield, Illinois, on December 14th, at the advanced age of eighty three years. She was a sister to the late John M. Kincaid, one of Collin county's earliest settlers and best known citizens, and an aunt of Mesdames Harriet Wilson, John P. Wallace and Milam McKinney all deceased.

BRANCH.

Branch, Dec. 26—C M Oakley and Miss Mollie Lafon were quietly married at the home of the brides parents Mr and Mrs L C Lafon at 8:30 o'clock last Thursday evening.

The death angel has again appeared in our midst. This time it was Alvie, the little daughter of Mr and Mrs C R Hall, aged 1 year and 10 months. She took the croup last night. Drs Morrow and Boorman were summoned but their skill could not save her. She lived but a few short hours. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved parents. Christ says, "suffer little children to come unto me for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Marguerita.

CLIMAX.

Climax, Dec. 26.—Edgar Cashon son of our neighbor John Cashon came in from Southern Texas last week. He will make his home here in the future.

Mr Willis of Honey Grove Fannin county is visiting his brother Cy Willis at this place.

Mr Striplin has moved to the vacinity of McKinney and a Mr Gentry of Hunt county has moved to the farm lately occupied by that gentleman.

R W Dyer of the Wilmeth community was here this week seeking a location.

Horace Dixon and family visited at his brother W L Dixon Sunday. He lives in the Viney Grove neighborhood.

Our school was suspended for the holidays the 23rd.

Hazel Eyes.

BOY WILL LOSE HIS HAND

Cannon Cracker Explodes in Residence Near Pecan Grove

Nobility, Tex., Dec. 26.—The 10-yoear-old son of J. P. Jennings of near Pecan Grove met with a serious accident last night. A large cannon cracker exploded in his hand and completely shattered the hand.

A physician was phoned for to come out and amputate the hand today.

Willie G. Thomas, who has been traveling for the Wichita Falls' Mill & Elevator Co., for several years, will after January 1st, represent the Collin County Mill & Elevator Co.

LEADS THEM ALL.

Price Stiff Sells More Heinz Pickled Goods Than any Grocer.

T. W. Erwin, representing H. J. Heinz celebrated pickled goods, is spending the holidays with relatives here. Mr. Erwin says that Price Stiff, of this city handles more Heinz goods than any other retailer in the state. When the popularity of this famous brand of pickled goods is taken into consideration, Mr. Stiff's distinction as a retail grocerman can better be appreciated.

J. G. Spradlen, of Climax, favors us with a renewal of his subscription to the Democrat.

THE SOLDIER'S HOLIDAY.

The following poem was written at Camp Benjamin near Little Rock, Ark., by J. H. Jenkins, on Christmas eve, Dec. 24, 1861. The author was then a member of Co. I, 9th Texas Infantry, Capt. Joe Dixon's Co. The company was made up of McKinney and Collin county citizens, who had just enlisted in the Confederacy. Only a few of the old veterans are now living, Mr. Jenkins being one of the survivors.

Is this Christmas eve? my sad spirit enquires,
While the stars throw their light on our fast fading fires
And the pale dying embers cast their shadows all 'round
On our weapons of warfare, lying strewed on the ground,
I muse on the scene, as the hours glide away,
And sigh Oh how changed since last festive day,
For then I drank deeply of home's fleeting pleasure,
With friends of my youth—my joy beyond measure,
Oh where now are the loved ones, my heart clings to most,
And the one to whose charms I've oft drank my toast,
Where now are those maidens, enchantingly fair,
With soft golden tresses or raven black hair,
That lingered round my path with visage so pleasant
With a score of sweet voices—'where's my Christmas present."
Oh could I be with them, as in days of yore,
I'd pay them their presents, and ten times more.
Relentless fate, wilt thou never replace me,
With friends I adore; where a mother can embrace me.
Will the tidings of peace never sound where I roam,
To hail the young soldier, "return to thy home."
But hark to the sound of the drum boys, be ready!
Commands are now given steady! Bruner steady,
Tomorrow we march boys, and ere long if lucky,
We'll oppress the oppressor, and free Old Kentucky.

—By "Jinks."